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## Lasell Graduate Program Announces Certificate Options

The Office of Graduate Admission at Lasell College is pleased to announce the addition of two new graduate certificates to its program offerings beginning this summer. Now, in addition to a Master of Science in Management degree with a concentration in one of the following areas — Elder Care Administration, Elder Care Marketing, Management and Marketing — students may choose to pursue a graduate certificate in Elder Care Administration or Marketing.

The graduate certificate is composed of five three-credit courses that can be completed within nine months to one year.

Designed for the working professional who wants to advance their job scope or change careers, the certificate will also assist someone who has been away from the job force and is seeking re-entry into a career in marketing or working with the elderly. Qualified candidates need to hold a bachelor's degree.

Lasell's Master of Science in Management degree is designed to deliver an academically-substantial yet career-focused management education. Working with faculty who are scholars and practitioners in their fields, students enhance their management skills while

developing greater perspective in their chosen area of concentration. The curriculum is 36 credits and can be completed in one year of full-time study or part-time at the student's own pace. Students with a bachelor's degree in a relevant field may qualify to waive up to 15 credits.

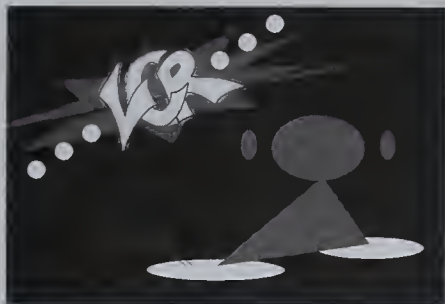
Courses are held in the early evening hours and typically meet once a week in a smart classroom where faculty and students benefit from the latest technology. Graduate faculty provide a dynamic learning environment that emphasizes

putting theory to practice through guest speakers and field studies.

Remaining committed to your academic and professional needs, Lasell is pleased to offer a 20 percent tuition discount to our alumni. An application for admission and course listing for the summer session may be obtained by contacting the Office of Graduate Admission by phone at (617) 243-2400 or by e-mail at [gradinfo@Lasell.edu](mailto:gradinfo@Lasell.edu). Lasell College employs a rolling admission policy for sessions beginning in September, January, May and July. ☺

## Up and Running

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## Valuing the Way Others Live

### International Students Share Diversity

By Maha Al-shoaibi '05

As air travel, technology, and heightened communication succeed in shrinking our world; as globalization takes hold, and as different cultures impact the American way of life (and vice versa), lessons about diversity, tolerance, and valuing the way others live have true and lasting importance — especially when meted out in a personal, one-on-one basis, as frequently happens at Lasell.

Lasell College, which currently has 46 international, full-time students enrolled representing 16 countries — Azerbaijan, Barbados, Belarus, China, Cote d'Ivoire, France, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Indonesia, Japan, Malawi, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, and Venezuela — reflects a growing multiculturalism. Approximately 20 percent of Lasell's enrolled population is made up of minority students and four to five percent are international students.

According to Dr. Jim Ostrow, Vice President for Academic Affairs, this diversity is essential to the overall learning experience on campus. "Living in an increasingly global environment makes it important for any academic institution that takes itself seriously to have an international presence." (See story on page 4.)

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## Message from the President



In this issue of *Leaves*, we take a special look at how students from other countries, who come to Lasell, learn and redefine themselves as true citizens of the world.

The featured story was researched and written by Maha Al-shoaibi '05, whose homeland is Saudi Arabia, and who, this semester, is completing an intensive on-campus internship in the Lasell Office of Communication. We offer it because we believe that inclusion, diversity, and the sharing of global and interracial perspectives provide mutual benefits for the health and well-being of both our American and international students.

It is the dream for many young people throughout the world to come to the United States to study, learn, and earn a degree.

Currently, we have 46 international students enrolled, representing 16 countries, spanning Africa, Asia, and Europe. These students will, we hope, absorb our history and culture, applying their newfound skills and perspectives

to help shape their worlds and promote tolerance for diverse points of view.

Even though Lasell's international population has stayed level for the last few years, the overall number of international students attending colleges and universities in the United States has recently decreased by 2.4 percent according to Open Doors 2004, the annual report published by the Institute of International Education (IIE). This represents the first drop since 1971-72, a decline attributed primarily to difficulties in obtaining student visas (especially in scientific and technical fields), as well as rising U.S. tuition costs and vigorous recruitment activities by other English-speaking nations.

At Lasell we try to overcome a perceived American hostility toward foreign students by proactively engaging them in

activities that emphasize inclusion, from orientation to highly interactive classes which foster open debate and participation in the International Student Association. We are supported in these efforts by Embassy CES, the on-campus English immersion school.

We are proud to offer an environment rich with global and intercultural possibilities in which all our students can share differences while identifying and celebrating commonality. I thought you would like to know and invite your responses.

Sincerely,

Thomas E.J. de Witt, Ph.D.

## New Trustee and Overseers Elected

Lasell College is pleased to welcome a new member to the Board of Trustees and two new members to the Board of Overseers.

### Board of Trustees



Dr. Judith B. Wittenberg was the Associate Director for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges' Commission on

Institutions of Higher Education (NEASC) from 1999-2003. Her responsibilities included training accreditation teams and team chairs, coordinating the Committee on Finance and Enrollments and Commission meetings, assisting colleges with candidacy and the self-

study processes, and helping develop Commission policies.

She served as Chair and Professor of English at Simmons College from 1996-1999. Prior to that she was Dean of the Undergraduate College at Simmons, overseeing faculty, a \$10,000,000 budget, and the curriculum of undergraduate arts and sciences and professional programs.

Dr. Wittenberg was the President and Founder of the William Faulkner Society and is on the Editorial Advisory Board of the Faulkner Journal. She currently sits on the board of the Davis Education Center. Dr. Wittenberg received her Ph.D. in English and American Literature from Brown University.

### Board of Overseers



Susan Rinklin Dunne '82 continued her education after Lasell at Lynchburg College in Virginia.

Following her graduation, she worked for 10 years at Quantum Group, a recruitment firm in Manhattan. Married to James Dunne, a Senior Managing Principal of Sandler O'Neill & Partners in New York, the couple has three children. Susan is committed to Lasell and has been a leadership donor to the Annual Fund.



Thelma Greenberg Florin '54 received her B.S. from Boston University and taught in the Lexington/Bedford, MA school system

as well as at the Newstead School and Roosevelt Junior High School in New Jersey. An avid volunteer, Thelma is on the board of the American Jewish Committee, the Jewish Family Service, and the Jewish Community Center. She is also President of the Rachel Coalition, a non-sectarian organization for domestic violence. She and her husband, Richard, have hosted Lasell alumni events in New Jersey and Florida and were leadership donors to the Campaign for Bragdon. ♡

## Lawyer, Educator, and Affirmative Action Activist

## Anita Hill Will Be Commencement Speaker on Sunday, May 15, 2005



Anita Hill, the author of *Speaking Truth to Power*, and professor at Brandeis University's Heller School for Social Policy and Management, will speak to alumni, students, family, and friends at the 150th Commencement Ceremony of Lasell College, on Sunday, May 15, 2005, at 11 a.m., on Taylor Field.

In her rich and varied professional life, Professor Hill has worn many hats, from lawyer and educator to author and activist. Known for her eloquent and informative speaking engagements, she is the

author of the 1997 book, "Speaking Truth to Power," a personal memoir describing her involvement in the Clarence Thomas hearings for confirmation to the United States Supreme Court.

She was born in 1956, the youngest of 13 children, and raised in the farming community of Okmulgee County, Oklahoma. "My childhood was one of a lot of hard work and not much money, but it was one of solid family affection," she said.

She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Oklahoma State University and earned a law degree from Yale University. She had been a practicing lawyer with a Washington, D.C. firm before working for the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission and later as a law professor for the University of Oklahoma. She currently is Professor of Social Policy, Law, and Women's Studies at Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts. ♡



## Lasell Awaits Archive Expansion

She may be diminutive in size, but Jean Michael Petersen '39 sure packs a punch when she puts her mind to something. Jean and her husband Clint just gave an extraordinary gift of \$100,000 to expand the Lasell College Archives. Jean is passionate about the Archives and all of the amazing treasures housed there. She has devoted her time as a volunteer for almost two decades, helping to document 154 years of institutional history.

For the majority of its existence, Lasell was the oldest two-year women's college in the country. As a result, the Lasell Archives receives requests from all over

the world regarding information on or related to the education of women. Lasell has such a rich and treasured past, which is reflected in the depth and breadth of memorabilia, manuscripts and especially photographs currently housed in the tiny space on the third floor of Brennan Library.

During the "Lasell 150: A Campaign to Celebrate Lasell's Sesquicentennial," the College received a Kresge Foundation challenge grant which helped with the renovation of the Winslow Academic Center. At that time, there were plans to expand the Archives, however, resources were depleted before that project was

complete. To the disappointment of many, that project had to be put on the back burner. But Jean Petersen never forgot about the plans.

Jean met recently with Thomas Koerber, director of facilities, to review the plans for the expansion. Jean's vision includes a bright, spacious area with natural light streaming through a skylight where visitors to the Archives can spread out and review the materials with which they are conducting research.

The Winslow Archives was established in the late 1970s. Records, documents, manuscripts, and picture albums have been collected from members of the Lasell community including alumni and neighbors. The Archives has accumulated records, ephemera, and photographs relating to women's education and lifestyles since the mid-nineteenth century.

The Archives has 314.5 linear feet of records and 118.5 cubic feet of ephemera. Highlights include a collection by Elizabeth Gardner Bouguereau, who attended Lasell in the 1850s and gave her painting, "Judgment of Paris," to her alma mater in 1899, and some of the papers of William J. Rolfe, a Shakespearean editor who eventually became president of Emerson College. Other featured collections housed in the Winslow Archives include: class banners; early academic and enrollment records; Lasell student publications; Lasell College publications (*Lasell Leaves*, the *Lamp* yearbooks); photographs from



(L to R) Arlene Wishart Sylvester '38 and Ruth Turner Crosby '42/H'92 researching photographs in the pre-renovated archives facility.

1850's to the present; biographical records of trustees, select staff, and alumni; and paintings. Dr. Donald Winslow, son of Lasell's 7th president Guy Winslow, was the first archivist.

So many institutions focus their energy on the future. Lasell is lucky to have an alumna who is committed to preserving the extraordinary past of her alma mater. Jean Michael Petersen and her husband Clint continue to support Lasell — and we thank you. Construction is scheduled to begin in the spring. We hope visitors to the campus will explore the new space when the expansion and renovation is complete.

For more information on the Winslow Archives, contact Archivist Jessica Wysocki at [jwysocki@lasell.edu](mailto:jwysocki@lasell.edu) or 617/243-2200. 🌱



Jean Michael Petersen '39 and her husband, Clint, look forward eagerly to the expansion of the Lasell Archives (photo by RoseMary B. Fuss).





### International Students Share Diversity

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An international mixture is surely a positive factor in any academic institution, but it takes the involvement of all members of the academic institution to make it truly global. No one knows this challenge better than Kathleen O'Connor, vice president for Enrollment Management. "I look at international students the same way I look at every student — each is unique and brings something from which we can learn."

Dorothy Halsey, Lasell's principal designated school official for the Bureau of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, works with all of Lasell's international students. "One of the main advantages to having international students here on campus is the diversity that allows us all to learn about different cultures."

Indeed, learning at Lasell can be a rewarding two-way street where American students and international students gain equally from their interaction with each other.

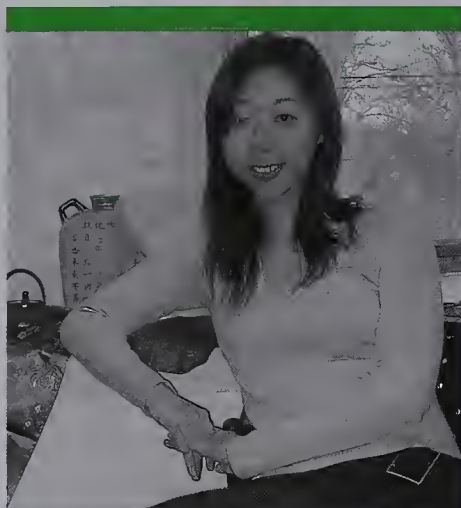
This story focuses on five international students at Lasell, who speak about their experiences in a foreign country — the U.S. — and the unique experiences they have enjoyed on a college campus. The five who agreed to be interviewed — though two asked not to be identified by their real names — are Cheruzgo, a junior communication major from the African country of Malawi; Nana, a junior in Legal Studies who is Chinese and lives in Japan, "Niki," a senior in Humanities who is from Japan, "John," a first-year student from the Mediterranean

who wants to major in Mathematics, and Hyejin, a junior, from Korea, majoring in Hospitality Administration.

Cheruzgo, a bright, open-minded student, came to the U.S. "to experience a different way of life." Having also lived and traveled in China, South Africa, Kenya, Switzerland, Sierra Leone, England, and France, he has

is "wonderful for international students as it allows time to transition and learn the English language."

Academic pursuits are another reason many apply to schools in the United States. But out of all the schools in the United States, why do international students choose Lasell over other colleges and universities?



*Nana '06 is Chinese but her family lives in Japan.*

seen many cultures. "I wanted to experience America the great...seep it in, absorb it, gather my own actual empirical experience and bring it back to my country."

For many students, studying English is the main reason to attend college in America.

According to Dorothy Halsey, the program at Embassy CES, the English immersion school located on the campus



*Cheruzgo '06 is from Malawi.*

"The main reason I chose Lasell was to be in a relatively small school. I was looking for individualized teaching and to make lasting friendships, as opposed to going to a large school where you might not be noticed. I also chose the Boston area because it is a huge cultural melting pot," said Cheruzgo.

Despite living in a multicultural area with a rich history of immigration, students admit to experiencing cultural differences during their studies at Lasell.

Nana, from Japan, speaks about a difference that challenges her daily. "In Japan, a student would never talk in class. We just listen to the teacher's lecture and it is the teacher who moves from class to class, not the student. Also, in Japanese society if you express yourself too much, that would not be a good thing."

"In Korea," says Hyejin, "We would not call professors by their first names."

Another Japanese student — we call her "Niki" because she was too shy to be quoted by name in this article — notes that, "In Japan, there is one culture and it is more concerned with the group rather than the individual."

Hyejin, from Korea, also notices how the U.S. culture is much more individualistic than Asian society. "Korea is stricter. In Korea, I have to think about everyone in my family. Here it is different; people separate from their families and live alone. America is more open-minded."

"Niki" says there is a huge difference in how, in the United States, no one culture dominates. "It is made up of many different cultures." For "John," who preferred not to be quoted by name or nationality — the melting pot aura of the U.S. has made him feel right at home. "I don't feel I have a 'native' culture. I grew up in Greece, Germany, England and Holland. I think I took the best out of all cultures and formed my own ideology — similar to the U.S. — so being here suits me very well," he says.

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#### Notes From the Author

### Maha Al-shoaibi Takes On Her First Reporting Assignment



Greetings! Bonjour! Hola! Guten Tag! Marhaba! And thank you for reading my article. I am Maha Al-shoaibi '05

on my first assignment as a reporter in the United States. First a story for *Leaves* at Lasell, and hopefully, next, a job as correspondent for *Vogue* from Jeddah!

This piece was my first real-life experience as a reporter and

hopefully you have enjoyed reading my article as much as I have enjoyed writing it. I was excited to have this first stepping-stone to my future career as a journalist.

In writing this article I had to identify who would be appropriate to interview and approach and to interview not only students in my Lasell community but also College administrators. Like a business woman, I organized myself with meeting notes and arranged all of my appointments. It was challenging for me to manage the time (and the interviews!) efficiently.

I sat down and had great talks with administrators about how they served this community in a wonderful way. It was also interesting to hear the students' point of view about Lasell and their opinions about American culture. I was interested to discover that I had the same reaction as the Japanese student, Nana, who noted how her culture is more conservative and has more boundaries so that an individual would not feel free to fully express emotions and say whatever comes to mind. My Saudi culture and her Japanese culture share a respect for and honor of older people. It is amazing how we have

things in common even though we come from such different backgrounds — I from the Middle East and she from the Far East.

I learned how to interview formally and informally and discovered much about myself from this assignment. Subjects I have studied at Lasell for four years — from journalism and effective speaking, to verbal and non-verbal communication, media and society — have strengthened my ability to practice and develop skills in this, a real assignment. ♥



## Special Issue *International Students*

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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Cheruzgo concurs. "In Malawi, I feel a need to protect my image, but here I can be free. There is a lot more freedom here as my family can have a great influence on me back home. I keep my own values but incorporate what I learn from other cultures wherever I go."

Students from Asia tend to be quieter and more sensitive to the noise that often can be a dominant factor in residence halls on an American college campus.

And, "People need to educate themselves in terms of geography," "John" offers. Cheruzgo echoes, "If you don't know your geography in a globalizing world, you're stuck!"

"Americans interrupt a lot. To listen is our way; it doesn't mean we don't have our own ideas," says one of the Japanese interviewees.



*Hyejin '06 is from Korea.*

"If anyone asks, I would say that in Malawi, family values are really important. The family bond never breaks up. In the U.S., kids might divorce themselves from their parents. In my culture that would be crazy!" says Cheruzgo.

Despite the inevitable difficulties of sharing and participating in another culture, there are many advantages to

studying in the United States. "In Korea, it is all about the result, not the process. The score is only important, not how you achieved it. In America, they care about the process of my studies and that I studied hard. I like that," said Hyejin.

For "John," "It is an advantage to be here alone because it makes me stronger."

Admission's Jim Tweed admires international students for their efforts. "It takes courage for international students to pack up their lives, come overseas, and spend four or five years in the United States," he says, "and there is no doubt that the college benefits from the multicultural campus by celebrating diversity, not shying away from it. A community should embrace difference."

Many of the students realize how much they will miss their American friends at Lasell once they have to return to their homes abroad. "The professors gave me

a lot of attention; they care about me here. I will miss the freedom to express myself," says Hyejin.

"I will miss that when people go to a game they talk to each other even though they do not know each other!" Nana explains.

With great enthusiasm, Cheruzgo exclaims that he will miss "Speaking English! I wasn't confident to speak in a big crowd and now I do all the time. It is the fourth language I have learned and nothing feels better than really knowing a language."

"I would recommend that people come here with an open mind to have experiences that they could not have in their own country," says "Niki."

"My only advice would be to study hard, but not all the time. Try and get close to Americans if you can," Hyejin advises. ☺

### Lasell College Radio is on the Air

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*(L to R) Professor Brian Wardyga reviews the use of new equipment with Courtney Dinsmore '07, Billy Cipriano '06 (seated), Chris Goguen '07, and Tabatha Torres '07.*

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Disk jockeys supply their own CDs, make public service announcements and station identifications, and, in the future, are planning to invite guests to join in on-air discussions.

"In the beginning we were always learning something new," says Troy

Wall '05. "The equipment is awesome and as it arrived we had to find out how to use it."

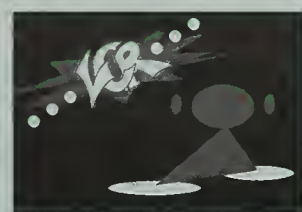
This fall Troy hosted an LCR show with Shana Urban '07 called "Buffet." "We did a medley of pretty much what we were feeling," he recalls.

Chris Goguen '07 has also been very active in getting LCR going. "I've always

wanted to see Lasell have a station and I wanted to be part of it. I was willing to get as many signatures as were needed and broadcast from a hole in the wall, but it turned out this wasn't necessary. I was delighted when I found that the College had beaten me to the punch."

Chris is both a disk jockey and the sta-

### Student Wins Contest LCR Logo Created



"I didn't think I had a chance," exclaims Sylvie Norian '06, who was one of 16 contestants in the competition held for LCR's logo. A Graphic Design major, Sylvie saw the contest advertised on Professor Brian Wardyga's door and thought it would be a fun challenge.

"I came up with two versions. I was hopeful, but I didn't want to count on anything," Sylvie recalls.

"To appeal to youth, my winning logo has a dark background representing a club scene. I used basic shapes to create a deejay spinning a turntable and had fun manipulating the lettering."

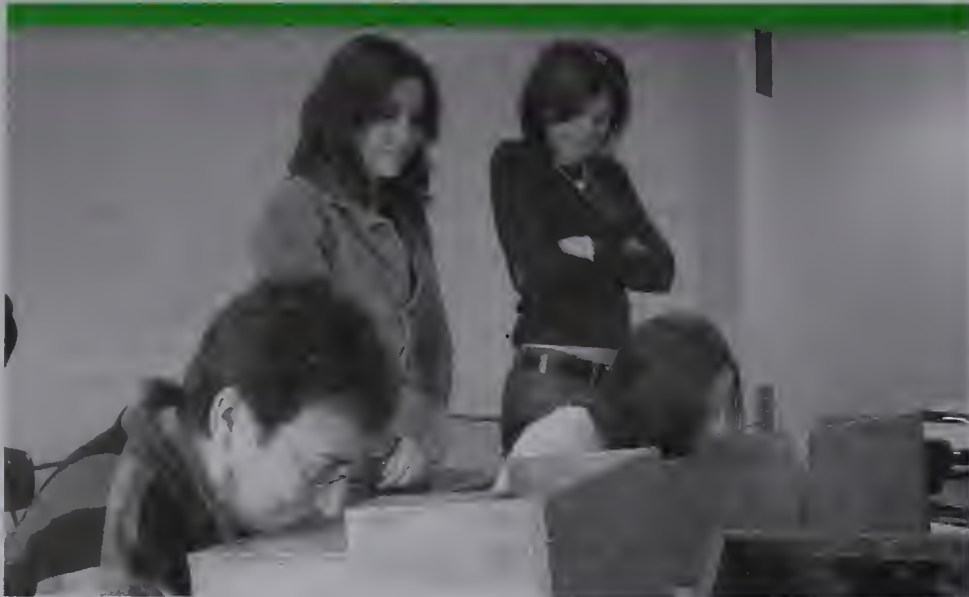
Sylvie's design has already appeared on an LCR bumper sticker and will be used for future promotional items.

As the winner, Sylvie will have a five page web site created for her. "I'm looking forward to developing this site and tailoring it to my personal style. Creating an identity for LCR has been a great learning experience."



## Class Dedicated to Leadership

## Honors Class Teaches Session on Learning Disabilities



(L to R) Erin Crotty '07 and Courtney Dinsmore '07 watch while Professor Sharyn Lowenstein and Angelica Adams '07 concentrate as they sign their names using mirror boxes.

**I** am so proud of my sophomore Honors section," exclaims Director of the Center for Community-Based Learning Sharyn Lowenstein. "These nine sophomores were in myLeadership seminar all fall semester and as a team they rose to every occasion and surpassed all my expectations. This was particularly true when we went to the Spaulding Memorial School in Newton to interact with and teach approximately 75 fourth graders about learning disabilities."

To prepare for their day at Spaulding, the students met with Jan Spiro, Project Director for "Understanding our Differences," a program that began 25 years ago. "The founders of this curriculum were parents of children in public school who were very forward thinking.

They wanted to make sure that children learn how to act with and include people with all types of disabilities," explains Jan.

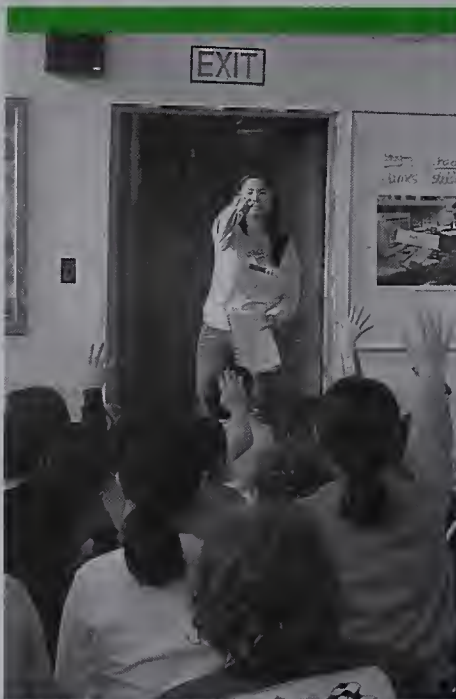
The section on learning disabilities is the third unit of "Understanding Our Differences." The Spaulding fourth graders had already participated in the sections on deafness and blindness.

"What we want children to understand is that we can't all do things easily," says Jan, "but it's important to include everyone. We all learn differently and have our own strengths and challenges. What is key, is to develop strategies that help us deal with situations."

During the training session with Jan, the Lasell students were introduced to

the activities they would be teaching. Besides providing an interactive introduction, perhaps the most challenging activity was writing on a blackboard by looking only at a mirror, thus artificially setting up an experience in which there is a breakdown in communication between the eye and the hand. Suddenly an every day task, writing one's name, became difficult.

Since none of the students were Education majors, learning how to run a class and teach fourth graders was new to everyone. "We all received syllabi, but as far as leading the activities, we wondered if we were equipped," says Katie Gryckiewicz '07.



Cynthia Chou '07 calls on an eager Spaulding School fourth grader.

"When the day came, the tension was palpable before we left Lasell," recalls Sharyn. "My students were stepping into uncharted territory."

"At first I thought it wasn't going to go smoothly," confirms Cherie LaChapelle '07, "but once we got there it was great. The young students really got into the activities, giggling, squirming, and negotiating for more time to complete their tasks."

"Going to Spaulding Memorial was definitely a challenge," recalls Erin Crotty '07. "The kids were very excited and we had to use all our leadership capabilities. At the end, when we wrapped up, I was impressed by how much the children had gotten out of it. I didn't think they were paying that much attention, but they were. We all learned something that day — whether it was the students learning about disabilities, or us learning about our leadership skills."

One of the purposes of Lasell's Honors Program is to stretch the capabilities of the participating students. "The emphasis for this particular class was leadership as a team. I wanted my students to think about what they would take from this exercise and be able to use in the future," says Sharyn. "When the Spaulding children cried in unison, 'Thank you for coming to be our teachers!' I knew that the Lasell students realized they had met a new experience successfully and their view of themselves as leaders had been confirmed." 🌱

## On Campus

## 20/20's Callie Crossley is Donahue Distinguished Scholar



Journalist Callie Crossley speaks to an intent student audience.

**"P**olitics is a subject I am emotional about," declared journalist and producer Callie Crossley. "I can't imagine not voting." Ms. Crossley began her week as Donahue Distinguished Scholar by

addressing a packed de Witt Hall on the subject "Do Politics Matter?"

"Being a citizen is a heavy load and requires an individual's full participation. You are never more powerful than you are in the voting booth," she stated. Members of the student panel (Achai Abiem '05, Emily Binder '04, Greg Walker '05 and Troy Wall '05) who facilitated the discussion after Ms. Crossley spoke, were in full accord and strong advocates of getting out the student vote (see *Lasell Votes*, p.7). "How many of you have an opinion on the draft or the right to choose?" asked Emily. "Voting shows that you care."

As Callie Crossley spoke, it was clear that she is not only passionate about a number of subjects but also a person of action. After graduating from Wellesley

College with no experience, she began her career by talking her way into a TV news reporter job. Since then she has been a regular panelist on WGBH's *Beat the Press*, spent 13 years as a producer for ABC News 20/20, and was nominated for an Oscar for one of her segments of *Eyes on the Prize*, a documentary series about the civil rights movement.

Ms. Crossley is currently a Woodrow Wilson National Foundation Fellow, touring campuses as part of the prestigious Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow program. Not only did she make her initial presentation in de Witt Hall, she also spent time visiting classes and meeting with students informally.

This is the first time Lasell has had a Donahue Distinguished Scholar,

although last year Fulbright Visiting Scholar, Dr. Fatima Sadiqi, was on campus under the auspices of the Donahue Institute. "Dr. Sadiqi's visit was so successful that it gave rise to the idea," explains Donahue Director Tessa leRoux.

"I would like to make this a regular event," she continues. "The presence of someone of the stature of Callie Crossley on campus for a few days enhances the level of academic and social discourse. It has a far greater impact than a one-time speaker and forms deep connections between the classroom and issues of society and civic responsibility."

"We must keep public discussion going," stressed Ms. Crossley. "Politics is how we make democracy matter." 🌱



75 Percent of Eligible Students Register

### "Lasell Votes" Team Mobilizes Campus



Showing their bright tee shirts, the "Lasell Votes" team is ready to urge students to register.

Across the campus this fall, black tee shirts with bright green "Lasell Votes" on them were omnipresent. The 2004 election and the stands that each of the presidential candidates took on issues both in and out of the country galvanized students and faculty alike and underscored the importance of registering every qualified student and getting out the vote.

The germ of the idea of reaching every student started last spring when Sociology Professor Jenifer Drew and Donahue Institute Director Tessa

leRoux were brainstorming about projects for the upcoming year. Knowing that only 13 percent of the college population usually votes, getting Lasell to better this percentage seemed an obvious goal. The two enlisted the aid of Donahue student assistant Amanda Wasowski '07 and they said, "Let's get this going!"

Early in September there was a voter registration kick-off and training session and the project then took on a life of its own. The first day there was a registration table outside of Valentine Dining Hall, and 138 students completed forms.

By Election Day, 781 students had registered, an unheard of 75 percent of the eligible undergraduate Lasell population.

Before the election, more than 20 faculty (representing over 30 classes) did election-related class projects. They ranged from discussion of election issues, to an essay contest analyzing the leadership qualities of the candidates, to analyses of the role of the Internet during elections. Student election workers were able to earn academic credits for their activities, which was coupled with academic reflection on the process.

On Election Eve, Professor Ellen LaBelle's Events Management class organized a huge de Witt Hall party complete with a large screen of CNN's broadcast. As the students waited for the results to come in, there were raffles and door prizes and food was catered by Sodexho.

Most Lasell students decided to vote absentee and one of the aims of Lasell Votes was to make this process as easy as possible. "We had all 50 state registration forms," says Amanda, "and we stamped, stuffed, and mailed the ballots, making sure they went out two weeks before the state deadlines."

However, in spite of these efforts, many students did not receive their absentee ballots and felt enraged and disenfranchised. A few, who drove miles to get to their hometowns, found that they were not on the list of registered voters. "Out-of-state students could only telephone, and virtually no one was offered a provisional ballot without a fight," says Professor Drew.

"People said that the youth vote didn't turn out, but we did and the system failed us," says Amanda.

"This was entirely unacceptable to us," says Professor leRoux and the two professors prepared an institutional response which was published in the Boston Globe. In it they stated, "Rigid residency requirements and unnecessary absentee voting must go. They appear to constitute an insupportable burden on some local election boards. If we want college students to participate in democracy, we must allow them to vote where they study, work, spend, and live for nine months of the year."

### Teaming Up

### Two Lasell Groups Participate in Walk for Alzheimer's Disease

October brings crisp and clear days that fuel enthusiasm. When students saw the posting in the Center for Community-Based Learning for the Greater Boston Memory Walk, sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association, there was an immediate response. Five undergraduates and six graduates formed two separate teams that set off on the three-mile walk along the Charles River in order to raise money and be involved with a cause whose purpose is to increase the quality of life for those who are aging and need assistance in doing so.

"I wanted to do it last year," recalls graduate student Cheryl Staskawicz '05, "so when I saw the sign this year I decided to spring into action. It was only a week prior to the event, so I wasn't sure it would work but when I sent out an email to other people in the graduate program I was thrilled with the response: Team Elder Care was formed."

Cheryl, Diane Peluso, Elyse Adelstein, Peggy McCarty, Alyson Toole, and Guerlande Thomas rounded up sponsors who pledged close to \$1,000. "Our management skills paid off," laughs Cheryl. "I hope we've begun a tradition of participation in events that are related to issues involving the aged."

"The opportunity to walk for such a great cause was a rewarding experience on several fronts," says Peggy McCarty. "As an Elder Care graduate student, it was an opportunity to observe, mingle, and chat with some of the populations we study in class. Professionally, it was an invaluable opportunity to network. And, on a personal front, it felt good to take a few hours out of my day and acknowledge and support the millions of people touched by Alzheimer's disease."

Members of the undergraduate team were Lesley Foss '05, Leigh Jensen '08, Lisa Yong '06, Lindsay Nigro '08, and Leah Robinson '08. They were accompa-



(L to R) Team Elder Care graduate students the morning of the walk: Cheryl Staskawicz, Diane Peluso, Elyse Adelstein, Peggy McCarty, Alyson Toole, and Guerlande Thomas.

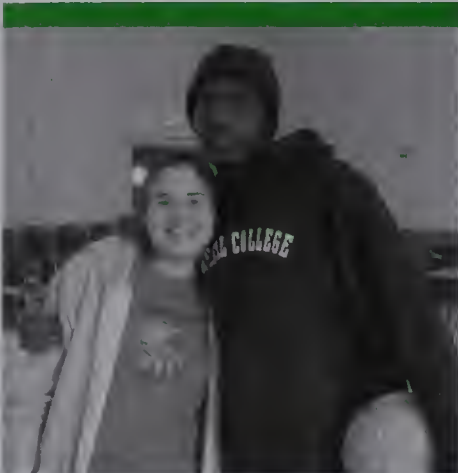
nied by Director of the Center for Community-Based Learning Sharyn Lowenstein and her six-year-old daughter, Emma. "This was Emma's first walk," grins Sharyn. "You have to start them young."

Everyone agreed that sharing an experience outside of the classroom brought an added dimension to the day. Walking and talking with others involved "added to the already in-place experiences of the connected learning process at Lasell," says Cheryl.



## Dynamic Duo

## Interns at Center for Community-Based Learning are a Driving Force



(L to R) Lesley Foss '05, Greg Walker '05, are an unbeatable team.

No one is more committed to community service on campus than Greg Walker '05 and Lesley Foss '05. The two are this year's interns at the Center for Community-Based Learning (CCBL) and they have worked tirelessly with Director Sharyn Lowenstein and this year's MACC Americorps\* VISTA Volunteer Kali Small to bring service programs and opportunities to Lasell.

"We applied for the positions last spring, so we had all summer to think about what we wanted to do and get ready," recalls Lesley. And, in September, they were off to a running

start when, with Kali, they organized a very successful Volunteer Fair. Twelve organizations had tables in the 1851 and more than 100 students attended.

City Year was one of the groups at the fair, and students found out about the annual City Year Serve-A-Thon. Twelve students signed up, and when October 23 came, Greg and Lesley drove them to City Hall Plaza to register for this clean-up day for areas of Greater Boston.

"The students who accompanied us were mostly freshmen," recalls Greg, "and they really got into it. They didn't mind the work at all and have been asking us what else is coming up."

"We worked at a church in Jamaica Plain and the people there were really nice. They worked alongside of us and they knew that full stomachs were important to keep us going," Greg laughs. "There were Dunkin' Donuts waiting for us for breakfast and some hot chili and soup for lunch."

Lesley lives in Hoag, Lasell's service residence hall and she did so last year as well. A requirement for living there is 40 hours of community service per semester, so she is no newcomer to the

idea. For Greg, it is a new experience and "I'm enjoying it," he exclaims.

The two are at the CCBL every Tuesday and Thursday and their brains are always churning. Among the programs they helped organize this fall were the Blood Drive ("There was never an empty

bed," says Lesley) and the Thanksgiving Food Drive.

"Lasell students are a willing bunch and open to ideas. We're here to try and keep up the momentum," says Greg. 🍌



(L to R) Lesley Foss '05, Maria Montefusco '08, Greg Walker '05, Kianna Gooden '06, and Lisa Yong '06 take a break from their clean-up duties during the City Year Serve-A-Thon.

## Thirteen Involved Students

## Hoag House is this Year's Service Residence

Forty hours of service each semester are what each student in Hoag is required to do, as well as a common service project, and there is no shortage of ideas or energy housed under that roof. "These students are an involved and civic minded group," says Kali Small, this year's MACC Americorps\*Vista volunteer, who is responsible for overseeing Hoag. "By signing up for the house they know that they will be adding a substantial amount of extra work to their semesters and their efforts should be recognized."

This is the third year that there has been a community service residence hall on the Lasell campus. Initiated in the fall of

2002, the students have been housed in Case House, Spence, and now Hoag. Two of this year's students are in their second year of residence but, for the others, it is a new experience.

"In the fall, the Hoag projects ran the gamut," says Kali. "Some worked on the blood drive, some on the Charles River clean-up, and others worked through their home churches. They kept a Volunteer Opportunities Posting Wall and also worked on a school supply drive for schools in India. I am enjoying trying to keep up with this highly-charged group." 🍌



Hoag residents (L to R) Megan Rosol '08, Dan Whitehorn '08, Charlie Feeley '08, Lesley Foss '05, Toni Omijie '06. Bottom Row: (L to R) Erika Nutinsky '08, Sarah Briggs '05, and Steve Carver '07.



### Representing Lasell at a National Level

## Mike Unwin '06 Attends National NCAA Conference



Student-Athlete Mike Unwin '06.

**I** had no idea what was in store for me when Director of Athletics Kristy Walter asked if she could nominate me to be on the NCAA Division III Student-Athletic Advisory Committee. I immediately said 'absolutely', not fully understanding what an opportunity had come my way," says Mike Unwin '06. "To be one of the 24 student-athletes to be selected from the 140,000 in Division III of the NCAA is an unimaginable honor." Mike is serving a three-year term and represents both Lasell and the North Atlantic Conference (NAC) at the national level.

"My job is to try and improve communication from the national level down to the college level," explains Mike. "In January, I traveled to Dallas, Texas with Kristy to attend the national NCAA convention. It was for all three divisions of

the NCAA, and Division III (which includes Lasell) is the largest. At the convention, the voting is done on proposals that have been put forward for changes in NCAA rules and regulations."

As captain of the basketball team at Lasell, Mike has helped lead the team to the North Atlantic Conference Championship and the NCAA Tournament for the last two seasons. He is also very active on campus and in the community. With other Lasell student-athletes, he helps run Field Day, a local after school program for elementary school children in the area. He is a member of the Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC), the Campus Activities Board (CAB), and the Alcohol Advisory Committee.

"I was proud to have Mike as our representative in Dallas," says Kristy. "He was very professional and made a formal presentation to the NAC Directors of Athletics. He was extremely well spoken and the directors were interested to hear the student point of view. When Mike returned, he gave a full report to Lasell SAAC, bringing them up-to-date."

"It was great being able to put Lasell's name out there while I was in Dallas," recalls Mike. "It was a real honor for me to represent the College and I'm looking forward to attending future meetings in Anaheim, CA and Indianapolis." 🍀

### Beyond the Classroom

## Exercise Leadership Class Tackles Ropes Course



Up and over — it takes a coordinated effort.

**D**iscussing leadership in a classroom is one thing, but, in order to take the concept to a different level, this year's Exercise Leadership class tested their mettle at a ropes course," explains Allied Health and Sports Studies Professor Janice Savitz. "It gave the students the

opportunity to learn how to depend on each other and work together in order to complete a series of physical and mental challenges while it gave me the chance to see them in a different light and watch them realize their potential."

The students were taken out of their standard frame of reference and asked to participate in activities that focused on areas such as group problem solving, communication, and the value of diverse insight skills. Among the challenges were getting from point A to point B without touching the ground and working through a giant spider's web without touching the ropes.

"The tasks involved a lot of trust and honesty, and it was imperative that we worked well together as a group," recalls Alexa Goscinski '05. "There was a whole different vibe there than in the classroom. People who were normally quiet suddenly spoke up more while others were told

they tried to lead too much. Everyone was very open and each individual brought different skills and abilities.

"When we went back to the classroom we knew more about each other," continues Alexa. "We wrote reflections and

realized that we were now aware of both our good and our weaker skills. We had been taken out of our comfort zones, tackled new challenges and gained confidence." 🍀



Carefully, carefully, a student is threaded through a giant spider's web.



## Students Conduct Interviews

## Villagers Serve as Valuable Class Resources



Villager Guy Hofstein and Josef Vargas '05 discuss Mr. Hofstein's war experiences.

Seminary Avenue was not "the road less traveled" this fall, as students often wended their way down the hill to interview Villagers about subjects that were relevant to their course material. "For my 'War in Literature' class, Villagers were able to talk about their first-hand experiences with war: their stage of life, their view points, their moral conflicts, and their sacrifices," explains English

Professor Mimi Reddicliffe, "and this enhanced and expanded their understanding of the works we were reading."

The idea for this class developed from Professor Reddicliffe's "Themes in English Literature" class of last year, where the topic of war became a door into early 20th Century literature. This fall, some of the works her students

read were *Henry V*, *Major Barbara*, *Reading Lolita in Iran*, and selections from Vietnamese literature.

"I knew that as soon as the residents and students started talking, the ice would break and the students would immediately be drawn into what the Villagers had to say," recalls Professor Reddicliffe. Eight residents greeted her class and after they broke into small discussion groups the hum of conversation escalated and it was apparent that she was right.

"In the class after the interviews, the students were full of the stories they had been told by the residents," says Professor Reddicliffe. "They were clearly fascinated by the Villagers' war experiences and very appreciative that the residents took so much time to talk to them. They found many connections between the course literature and the residents' lives, which made the works so much more compelling and real."

The first-year students in Professor Jenifer Drew's "Introductory Sociology" class, explored the theoretical concepts they'd been studying by spending an afternoon talking with Village residents

about their move to the Village.

"Having just arrived at Lasell in September, my students were uniquely prepared to understand the meaning of arriving in a new place, making new friends, learning new rules, and adjusting to a different degree of freedom and independence," says Professor Drew. "Their findings captured issues of transition, socialization, group membership, and independence, something that both students and Villagers were tackling at their respective ends of campus."

When the students left, their ideas of life at the Village had turned 180 degrees.

"During my walk back home, I couldn't stop thinking about what fun I had interviewing them," reflected a student. "I thought about how much I actually had in common with them and that they weren't that different from me. They all attended class, had different groups of friends that they hung out with, and did many of the same activities I would do myself. I found that the stereotype attached to the elderly as being lifeless and frail was completely not the case at the Village — they were as active, if not more active, as my peers and I." 🌱

## Lots to Manage

## Student Panel Discusses Balancing School, Work, and Family

"I don't do what I want to do, but what I need to do," explains Rafael Rivera '06 as he discussed how he manages his jam-packed weekly schedule. "Besides a full academic load, I have three jobs and I like to take time to visit with my baby brother. It's taken me a while to learn how to say 'no' to my friends. During my first two years at Lasell, I thought I was 'the man,' but then I realized that I had to figure out what I could handle."

Rafael was one of four psychology majors who participated in a panel discussion on balancing school, work, and family, that was moderated by Professor Marsha Mirkin, who teaches "Counseling and Case Management." "When I was putting the panel together with these four students, I was struck by the fact that these young people need to manage more than most adults. I have a profound respect for what they are doing," she says.

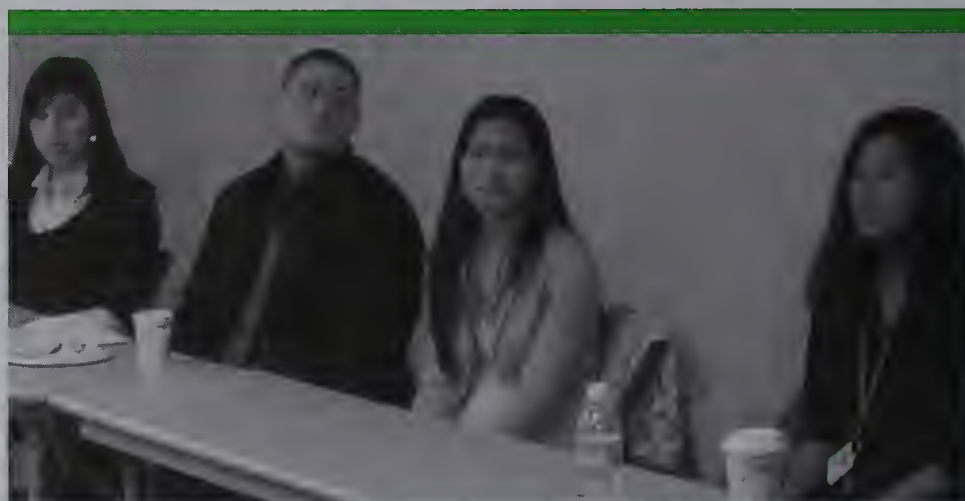
The first question she posed was, "What are the responsibilities that you find yourselves juggling?"

"This semester I'm doing an internship which adds stress to my already heavy course load," says Angela Piranosian '07, a commuter student. "Internships are unpaid, but I'm working at a day-care center to supplement my income. Also, my family is dealing with our cousins, from California, who have moved in with us. This means that there are now 10 people and two dogs living under our roof, and it's impossible to have any privacy."

When Professor Mirkin asked what strategies the students had developed for meeting these multiple demands, Angela replied, "No procrastination!" All four agreed that it was important to take care of their mind, soul, and body and, if necessary, to use the services of the campus health center.

"You must have a strong sense of who you are; you can't be a follower," says Samros Chau '07. "If people say I'm not cool, that's O.K."

"I've learned how to cope," says Thi Lam '05. "It doesn't get easier, but now I know



(L to R) Angela Piranosian '07, Rafael Rivera '06, Thi Lam '05, and Samros Chau '07 respond to questions posed by Professor Marsha Mirkin.

how to manage. I've become a more independent and stronger person and I'm proud of what I have accomplished. I have a responsibility to get my degree. This is what my loan is paying for."

The consensus among these students, and those in the audience, was that among the multiple pressures they were all facing (including full class schedules, internships, jobs, loans, and

family), school had to come first. One young woman summarized it when she said, "I'm putting myself through school with no support from my parents. When I get out I will have loans to pay back, so while I'm here I have to make every minute count." 🌱



### Black History Month

## Lasell Holds Open Discussion: "Does Race Matter?"



(L to R) Panel members Greg Walker '05, Mychal Thigpen '06, Professor LeShelle Woodard and Professor Sidney Trantham lead the open discussion.

**"R**ace is a loaded topic in American history and racial issues continue to exist," stated Professor Sidney Trantham at the Donahue Institute-sponsored open discussion titled "Does Race Matter?" held during February's Black History Month.

The program brought together a cross section of students and faculty for a dialogue that was both frank and revealing. Moderated by Psychology Professors Sidney Trantham and LeShelle Woodard, and students Greg Walker '05 and Mychal Thigpen '06,

members of the audience were forthcoming when responding to the questions that were posed.

Asked how Lasell was different from the high schools students had attended, New Hampshire resident Amanda Wasowski '07 said, "I'm from a small rural town where there are only one or two blacks and no international residents. Here I've been able to meet students and teachers of different races and it has been an opportunity to learn about different cultures. People are respectful of one another."

Professor Woodard asked about experiences that people might have had where they felt different because of race. "As an undergraduate at the University of Colorado/Boulder, I went for days without seeing another black," she recalled. "It was odd to live in an environment where people did not know how to respond to you."

Keya Anderson '06 was the only black student in an African American Literature class she recently took. "Initially I felt that I had to represent all black people with my viewpoint, but my professor put me at ease and it ended up being a very insightful class."

As the discussion went on, topics ranged from the fear of not being accepted, to views of interracial dating, and Affirmative Action. "There were no definite answers offered," said Professor Woodard, "but a dialogue was opened in which experiences and points of view were shared."

"From my perspective, the most important outcomes of the discussion included opening such a dialogue and the feelings of validation that students expressed in response to the conversation. Students have asked that we continue the discussion, which suggests to me that such a forum is needed at Lasell and hopefully it will be continued, not just during Black History Month." 🌱

### Presentation to Trustees

## Senior Year: Taking Inventory of the Lasell Experience



(L to R) Seniors Vicky Myrovalis, Heidi Hanna, Eric Knapp, and Alexis Polanco were chosen to talk to the Board of Trustees.

**"I** didn't know what to do with myself when I first arrived at Lasell," recalled Vicky Myrovalis '05 as she spoke to the trustees at their January meeting. "I found it very hard to transition into a new atmosphere. Then I signed up to be an orientation leader and that made all the difference. We participated in group exercises and activities and it became like a family. When the new students arrived, they looked up to us and I saw how much they wanted to fit in. After that, I decided I liked being part of a team and began participating in different campus activities."

Vicky is a Fashion Design major and her story is just one of four that was told to the trustees. An orientation leader for two years, Vicky has also served on the Campus Activities Board (CAB) and, this year, she is its Major Events Chairman. "As scary as putting myself out there was, I discovered that everyone is welcoming."

Involvement was also the key for Alexis Polanco '05. "I credit Molly DeStafney, Lasell's former MACC Americorps\*Vista volunteer, for jumpstarting my years

at the College. With her help and through programs run by the Center for Community-Based Learning, my experience has been very fulfilling. I needed a push and Molly must have sensed that. She would sign me up without my even realizing it," laughed Alexis.

"I think what I have enjoyed the most is the America Reads program. I've done it for three years and I have met so many different kinds of children. Some were raised like I was and some weren't, but when they see that a black person can succeed and go to college, they are impressed."

For two years, Alexis lived in Lasell's community service house, where students agree to do 40 hours of service per semester in addition to a common service project (see story p.8). But ready for an even bigger challenge, and with Molly's encouragement, Alexis became a member of Americorps, which requires 300 service hours to be completed in a school year. "It was a lot to handle on top of my school work but I saw it as a great challenge for myself. After a lot of thought, I decided it was something I really wanted to do."

"I have a double major, Criminal Justice/Legal Studies, and am currently in the process of applying to law school," explained Eric Knapp '05. "The classes that I've taken, my internships, and strong faculty support have prepared me to reach this goal."

"For the honors component of my Domestic Violence class freshman year, I worked at The Second Step, a transitional women's shelter for survivors of domestic violence located in Newton. I was worried that as a male I wouldn't be accepted. Instead, I was looked at as a positive role model and my presence was welcomed."

Eric returned to The Second Step his sophomore year for the honors component of his Criminal Justice class and put together a reference binder covering legal issues, such as child support, for the residents. "Doing the research and organizing the material was real world legal experience. I was proud of the final result and pleased to be able to leave something of lasting value for the women."

This year Eric was one of four Lasell participants in the Eastern Regional

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During October Fashion Week

### Lasell Student Designs Enliven Boston's City Hall



The designs of (L to R) Melissa Vizvarie '07, Ginnie Chow '05, and Jennifer Knapp '05 on display at Boston's City Hall.

Fall colors are a New England trademark, and during Fashion Week bright hues materials and designs filled Boston's City Hall. Contributing greatly to the entire presentation were the garments of Lasell students, who participated in three Fashion Week events.

Melissa Vizvarie '07, Ginnie Chow '05, and Jennifer Knapp '05 each had dresses on display, picked by the Lasell fashion faculty. "We chose the pieces based on their design, construction, and presentation," explains Professor Lynn Blake, "and this year we had three garments that represented the exceptional work that the College's students have produced."

All of the dresses required a lot of time and imagination to create. "We had to draft the outfits first," explains Melissa, whose piece was a club knit design that incorporated a thick sport mesh over a hot pink underskirt. The construction of the piece was complicated and detailed, down to the placement of the pockets.

Ginnie Chow had a non-textile piece chosen for display. "I had trouble coming up with a theme but then my roommate's boyfriend suggested using a shower curtain and shower accessories," laughs Ginnie. "Rubber ducks seemed like an obvious pattern to go with and I had fun

incorporating shower rings, a Loofa™, and shower gloves, which gave it a more elegant appeal. For "Technical Pattern I," I had made a clutch bag out of rubber ducks, so I even had an accessory."

Unbeknown to Ginnie, Jennifer Knapp (who was in a different section) was using a shower curtain with hand painted fish details, but it was not this piece that was picked for display at City Hall. Instead, it was an ethnic inspired piece that Jenn made for "Technical Pattern II." "I'm from Vermont and I wanted my design to represent rural New England," explains Jenn. "The piece is a wool huntsman's dress made out of traditional red and black checks. I continued the theme by using camouflage tree netting for a train."

Later in the fall, Jenn learned that the Costume Society of America was looking for volunteers to present pieces at the University of Rhode Island. When her professors approached her, she raised her hand and focused on her ethnic design. "She was one of nine presenters

and the only undergraduate student," recalls Professor Joan Morris. "Her presentation was as engaging and professional as any of the graduate students and she was a credit to the College."

Another part of Fashion Week was an illustration contest. Graphic design student Kati Goodenow '06 had four illustrations hung in City Hall's Scollay Square Gallery. All submissions were to incorporate a pink theme, in celebration of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

The Fashion Show at City Hall Promenade was the last event of the week and four Lasell students participated. Now for the Lasell seniors, like Ginnie and Jenn, it's on to putting their collections together and preparing for life after graduation. "It's nerve wracking," says Ginnie, "but I'll be using my representation at City Hall and my collection as a means to sell myself and I'm excited about the future."

Stay tuned! 🌟

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### "Glamorous Structures" Interdisciplinary Student Exhibit



(L to R) Lauren Turchon '07, Fashion Merchandising major, Xuan Luu '06, Fashion Design major, and Andrea Bellio '07, Fashion Merchandising major stand by the collection of hats that they worked on together.

The Wedeman Art Gallery was filled with colorful hats of every shape and size for the "Glamorous Structures" show. The exhibit was the result of a collaboration between Professor Lynn Blake who teaches "Technical Pattern I," and Professor Jill Carey who teaches "20th Century Fashion." The instructors felt their students would benefit from exposure to both disciplines to illustrate the powerful connection between millinery, fine art, and architecture from the 20th century.

Each class met throughout the fall semester for lectures and critique. The final project for this collaboration was to install the gallery exhibit of student

millinery designs with a written component relating to both design inspiration and historical significance. The students also created the gallery props and print material. Approximately 60 students were involved in this unique design and research opportunity. Both instructors received financial support from the Putnam Fund and the Davis Grant. 🌟



#### SENIOR YEAR

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Moot Court championships at Fitchburg State College. "Professor Linda Bucci met with us at all hours of the day and night to help us prepare. There was a lot of material to go over but, with her support, we arrived at the competition confident in what we had covered. It

was a great experience and excellent preparation for law school."

Like Eric, Heidi Hanna '05 is also a Criminal Justice/Legal Studies double major and participated in the Moot Court during her junior year. But she admits that she had a tough time getting adjusted to college life.

"Midway through my sophomore year, I made up my mind to transfer. My bags were packed but something made me come back after winter break," Heidi recalls. "My most important accomplishments happened after that point. I suddenly realized that what I was looking for was right here: small class size, team involvement, excellent professors.

"Once I committed myself to Lasell, I took off both in the classroom and on the hockey field. I'm proud of what I've accomplished and it was an honor to be selected to make a presentation on my time at Lasell to the Board of Trustees." 🌟



# Class Notes

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## 1920's

**1921**  
Melba Keasor Hodgkins celebrated her 103rd birthday on August 19. She lives in Laconia, NH.

**1925**  
Happy birthday to Martha Fish Holmes who celebrated her 100th birthday on November 19. She lives in Weston, MA.

## 1930's

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**1930**  
Our sincere condolences to Janice Whittaker Sandberg whose husband, Lars, passed away. Janice is living in an assisted living residence in New Hampshire. Her two married sons and three great-grandchildren live nearby. Janice says, "It is always a joy to see them."

**1934**  
Bettina Potter Jeffrey and Midge Jones Joslyn celebrated their 90th birthday on the same day - December 14. Bettina says, "I am blessed with a great family — son, daughter, daughter-in-law, three granddaughters, and two 2-year-old great-grands."

**1935**  
Kay Peck Dietler moved to a retirement community in Charlotte, NC. She writes, "I wish I could make reunion but my grandson is graduating the same weekend." She sends her wishes to all from the Class of '35.

**1936**  
Virginia Hall Warren's husband writes that Virginia is now in a nursing home because her diagnosis of Alzheimer's has become more pronounced.

Marjorie Reed Colley is awaiting the arrival of her sixth great-grandchild — all girls. She says, "I am hoping one of them will follow me to Lasell." Marjorie corresponds with Ginny Hausler Coster.

**1937**  
Irene Dreissigacker Brimlow says, "I would love to hear from those of us who are still living the golden years. I can't believe it will be 68 years since graduation! My best to all."

This past winter, Virginia Webb Tompkins visited her daughter who lives in Vero Beach. Virginia's other daughter lives in Cape Town with her husband and two sons.

**1938**  
Our sincere condolences to Adele Brown Lett on the death of her husband, Daniel, in February 2004.

Martha Romaine Jones is living in a retirement village in Lakewood, NJ. She has four great-grandchildren. Martha sends greetings to "Wishie" (Arlene Wishart Sylvester).

"It was nice to see President de Witt last year in Florida," writes Audrey Slawson Drake. "I also enjoyed dinner with Peggy Schwingel Kraft '56 and her husband. Sorry I couldn't make our reunion."

From Delray Beach, Dorothy Thomas Thomas says that several months later she is just recovering from the hurricane wallop. She has finally secured a tree company to clean away the damage. Dorothy works in her church office one afternoon a week. She is also involved in her church's adult literacy program. She has worked with students from Brazil, Poland, China, Germany, Haiti, Puerto Rico, and Spain. Dorothy is also responsible for finding tutors for the program.

*\* 1938 Editor's Note: Arlene Wishart Sylvester is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.*

**1939**  
Cora Pratt Adams is still working and enjoying it. She traveled to Vienna, Prague, and Budapest.

Margaret Schneider Thieringer is sorry to have missed her 65th reunion. She says, "Lasell is developing beautifully."

Mildred Sheldon Steele is living in an assisted living facility in Sonora, CA.

*\* 1939 Editor's Note: Jean Michael Petersen is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.*

## 1940's

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**1941**  
"It is always interesting to hear from other classmates," writes Mary Elizabeth Allen Ryan. Mary Elizabeth has four grandchildren — one married, two in college, and one in high school.

To celebrate her daughter's 50th birthday, Eleanor Pfaff Daly planned a 4-day family reunion in Illinois. The following week, Eleanor spent time with actress Patty Duke.

Fern Drumheller Nye's weedcraft art collages were on display in October. Her collages and stationery combine color, nature, Japanese washi paper, and colored pencil. Fern and Virginia Gibson Crouch '43 live in the same retirement community. They did not know each other at Lasell.

Louise Lorion DeVries and her husband are enjoying life in Seal Beach, CA. Louise keeps in touch with Jean Bohacket Pegram and Ginny DeNyse. Louise says, "I joyfully remember the friends I made at Lasell."

Our sincere condolences to Marion Parmer Wheeler on the death of her sister, Eleanor Parmer Farrar '39.

Justine Ransom Goebel has three great-grandchildren. She heads to Hilton Head and Florida to escape the cold. Justine sends love to all her classmates.

**1942**  
Our sincere condolences to Jessie Dobson Salmon on the death of her husband, Willard, in the fall. Jessie survived Hurricane Jeanne with minimum damage to her house, but she says her poor little town of Vero Beach is devastated. "It will be years and billions of dollars before it will be back to normal."

Our sincere condolences to Doris Fern Musselman on the death of her husband, William, in September.

Dorothy Higson White's third great-grandson was born in January. She says, "We now have a William, a Charlie, and an Andrew."

Barbara Leonard Wiser sold her home after 53 years and moved to a condo. She enjoys volunteering. Barbara has three married children and four grandchildren.

Ruth Mosher Porter lives at Westminster Canterbury in Richmond, VA. She has 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Our sincere condolences to Trudy Ruch Kauffman whose husband died in August.

"I'm in good company here at The Highlands, in Topsham, ME," writes Noel Temple Manning. "One neighbor is the great great-granddaughter of Josiah Lasell, one of Lasell's founders, and another neighbor is a friend's great-grandmother who was in Lasell's first graduating class."

An update from Virginia Weeks Hatch: "Fifteen years ago, my husband and I moved back to my hometown in New Hampshire. We garden, make our own maple syrup, and take good care of our woodlands. Winter means skiing. I play golf in the summer. Our four children and grandchildren are in northern California so we visit back and forth."

*\* 1942 Editor's Note: Ruth Turner Crosby is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.*

**1943**  
Virginia Collins Canavan had a surprise 80th birthday party hosted by her son and daughter. Virginia says, "All generations attended. The oldest was my 90-year-old sister, and the youngest was an 8-month-old grand-nephew."

From Arlington, VA, Olga Costes Urban writes, "We are involved in Naval Academy activities. My daughter is in Connecticut, and my son is in Virginia."

Our sincere condolences to Elizabeth Gorton Collier whose husband, Paul, died in early September.

Jane Timm Engle became a great-grandmother for the first time in October 2003.

**1944**  
"This is the year I hope to move into a condo and make life a bit simpler, but I dread the thought of moving after living in same house for 32 years," writes Gloria Boyd Major-Brown. Gloria spent Christmas in Santa Barbara and Palm Desert.



## Class Notes

At 81 years of age, **Eleanor Laing Greenhalgh-Kilty** retired from her town office job. She says, "I am now becoming acquainted with my computer and learning to write children's books."

**Dorothy Tobin Staffier** wanted to share these words of wisdom: "Be an activist. Do something nice for someone else. Smile a lot!"

### 1945

**Terry Bergeron Hoyt** recently moved to a life care community in Sarasota, FL. She says, "I hope to see some of my classmates at reunion in May."

Our sincere condolences to **Janet Eaton Maynard** on the death of her husband, John, in January.

**Eunice Powers Buxton** travels to California, Florida, New York, and Connecticut to visit family. She says, "I am still active in my business. It's great for mind and body."

Our sincere condolences to **Barbara Preuss Reynolds** on the death of her husband, George, in November.

### 1946

Our sincere condolences to **Lynn Blodgett Williamson** on the death of her husband, Al, in March.

**Raemary Chase Duryea** attended the destination wedding of her first granddaughter in the US Virgin Islands and had a "super" time.

**Anne Heaphy Briggs** has four grandchildren. Her daughter, who lives in Germany, is moving to Bahrain for a year. Anne's other daughter lives two miles away.

**Phyllis Paige Downes** sold her condo and moved to a ranch-style house in Bedford, NH. The house has a small pool and a waterfall with about 15 fish.

**Irene Tomasek Kokocinski** is secretary of the Board of Directors of Hubbard Regional Hospital in Webster, MA. She has been an active member of the board since 1992. Irene was elected to the Massachusetts Democratic State Committee.

\* 1946 Editor's Note: **Joan Hanson Blake, Helen Richter Hanson, Ginny Terhune Hersom, Anne Blake Perkins, and Lynn Blodgett Williamson** are "Calendar Girls" models. Please see page 16.

### 1947

Our sincere condolences to **Jeanne Franklin Bates** whose husband, Jim, passed away in 2003.

Jeanne still has her home on the Cape and spends winters in Naples. She enjoyed hearing from **Barbara Roedel Hall** and **Sarah Cross Finigan**.

**Mary-Ida Hanson Olson** spent two weeks in the Amazon Rain Forest and the Galapagos in Ecuador. The trip was fantastic and strenuous, and she feels blessed to be able to enjoy it.

**Phyllis Haviland Hildebrandt** and her husband are well and busy.

An update from **Barbara Stickle Mode**: "I have been active at Lasell — on the alumni board (past president) and a Corporator of the College. I owned my own interior design business for 20 years and retired in December 2003. After 48 years of marriage to Phil, I became a widow in December 2001. I am in contact with **Jane Carl Turner, Ginnie Smith, and Anne Alger Ehrlich** and would love to hear from others from the class of '47."

Our sincere condolences to **Doris Wemmell Still** on the death of her husband, Kenn. Doris and her husband had been married 55 years.

### 1948

After retiring two years ago, **Phyllis Allen Shepard** moved from Tennessee to New Hampshire. She would love to hear from anyone in the Class of 1948, especially those living nearby.

**Jeanne Meyer Bird** has seven grandsons.

**Dorothy Piranian** is planning to attend graduation to hear Commencement speaker Anita Hill. Dorothy says, "Congratulations for asking her. How wonderful she accepted. Her demeanor and intelligence are outstanding."

"My granddaughter, **Beth D'Esopo '05**, is a senior at Lasell and living in Chandler where I lived so long ago," writes **Lucile Tucker Anderson**.

### 1949

Each year *Yankee Magazine* selects outstanding leaders and volunteers from New England's nonprofit and community groups to receive a Barn Raising Award, an honor that celebrates the best of the volunteer spirit in the region. **Nancy Lawson Donahue** is a recipient of this year's award for her tireless work to help the theatre she founded, the Merrimack Repertory Theatre in Lowell, MA, evolve into a nationally recognized venue. In Nancy's 30 years of volunteer work, she has played a key role in more than 50 community groups. The managing director of the theatre has this to

say about Nancy: "Nancy's generous spirit is strong enough to move groups of people to action. She is an extraordinary woman, and we are proud to have her as a member of our community."

**Judy Parker Haas** is in New Hampshire for the summer and fall and Florida for the winter and spring. She says, "It's a great life."

In November, **Jane Wadhams Hazen** had lunch with her cousins, **Faye Wadhams Smith '38**, and **Carol Wadhams Wolcott '43**.

**Jacquelyn Word Stallings** writes, "Hip surgery, staph infection, and, four months later, hepatitis B."

## 1950's

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### 1950

**Eleanor Barton** writes that last winter she had a wonderful time with her old pal, **Sally Hughes Fasick**.

"Still enjoying off-season on Cape Cod," writes **Margot Bergstrom Semonian**. "I am also participating in the many activities of my five growing grandsons."

**Audrey Callahan Cohill** says, "After 40 years of living up north with the cold winters, I decided to move to a condo on the ocean in Palm Coast, FL, near my son and grandchildren."

After 35 years in warm and sunny Florida, **Virginia Davis Harbuck** relocated to the north Georgia mountains "with a climate reminiscent of my New England roots. It is good to be back with the daffodils and fall colors."

"Grandparents can be so proud," writes **Marjorie Gilbert Knipper**. Marjorie is referring to her step-granddaughter who is attending medical school.

**Elizabeth MacInnes Deal** hopes to be at reunion in May. She says, "I am still in New Jersey and leading a busy life."

**Marilyn Shaughnessy Daley** and her husband celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June. She and her husband have six children and four grandchildren. Marilyn enjoys watercolor painting, cooking, gardening, reading, and concerts at Tanglewood.

"All is well and good," writes **Carolyn Snook Rauscher**.

**Honey Spackman Wilson** is a reading aide in an elementary school in Pennsylvania and a business manager for a small radio station.

**Carmen Welch Clark** and her husband took a cruise around South America. She says, "I will not be back on Cape Cod in time to attend reunion. Where did those 55 years go?"

\* 1950 Editor's Note: **Jackie Paulding Hauser** is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.

### 1951

"Life continues to be great living by the ocean in Maine, and family and good friends make life wonderful," writes **Sallyann Bartlett Abel Bassett**. She and her husband celebrated their third anniversary with a trip to Scotland.

**Betty Baumbach Hyne** is enjoying retirement and will have knee replacement surgery so she can play golf again this spring. Betty and her husband celebrated 52 years of marriage. She says, "Our three grandchildren remind us we are getting old."

**Libbie Fleet Glazer** says she has two wonderful grandchildren. She keeps busy reading for a blind radio station and going to concerts and the theatre. She traveled to Hawaii, Cape Cod, New Hampshire, and the Catskills.

**Rae Harrington Blum** enjoys semi-retirement in Pinehurst, NC. She loves to travel and spends as much time as she can with her grandchildren in Vermont. Rae says, "Still tennising, but not old enough to play golf."

**Barbara Jankowski Rusch** traveled to Greece in April 2004. She says, "Lots of ruins, history, good food, and prep for the Olympics." Barbara and her mom survived two hurricanes in Port St. Lucie.

"After 45 years I sold my wonderful home and moved into an apartment," writes **Marie Kohaut Dougherty**.

"We have lived in Florida for 20 years. This year we had four hurricanes in six weeks, but life goes on," writes **Barbara McRoberts Collingwood**. Barbara has nine grandchildren.

Our sincere condolences to **Patricia Raeder Crone** on the death of her husband, Richard, in February 2004.

**Peggyanne Riker Miller** continues to show her prize shelties. She has seven dogs, and she loves them all.

## Class of 1950



In September, "refugees" from Florida's Hurricane Frances escaped to the Jersey shore. (L to R) **Bill and Joan Schaefer Douglas '50**, **Rosemary O'Brien deBelay '50** and husband **Paul**. The alums had a wonderful, unexpected reunion (with lots of reminiscing) along with **Marion Ettinger Steinmetz '50**.



## Class Notes

### Class of 1951



A restaurant on St. Simons Island, Georgia, is the setting for Linda's birthday celebration. (L to R) Marianna Firebaugh Burgund '52, Joy Detweiler Hostetter '51, Linda Heather Venezia '51

"After 28 years of being a widow, I met a nice gentleman, also widowed, who was willing to take me on," writes **Mary Jane White Miller-Puckett**. "I was remarried in June."

#### 1952

**Betty Lou Foy Reid** retired from the Department of French Studies at Brown University after 37 years. Betty Lou has two daughters who live in Newport, RI, and one grandson.

"Hi to everyone," writes **Mary Grill Turton**. "Hope we can get together soon. I have wonderful memories of our reunion."

**Ann Rathburn Spadola** is still living in Arizona. She has two sons who live nearby, and one who lives in Las Vegas. Ann's first grandson is now in college.

**Ginny Snedaker Marschall** and her husband enjoyed cruises to Europe/Norway and the Mexican Riviera. Before the

Mexican cruise, they had great fun visiting **Phyllis Gleason Riley**. Ginny says that two of the four Florida hurricanes hit their condo but the damage could have been worse. She sends greetings to everyone.

#### 1953

After being widowed for 2-1/2 years, **Mary Blackham Williamson** remarried. She and her husband live in Yarmouthport, MA, where they play tennis and golf year-round. Together they have 17 grandchildren.

**Mary Lou Burke Alexander** is planning to celebrate her 50th wedding anniversary in July with her sons and their families on Cozumel.

**Elinor Cohen Goldman** and her son went to England last summer. Her granddaughter started kindergarten in the fall.

"Thirteen grandkids keep me busy," writes **Barbara Crossley Kelling**. "Traveling, gardening, and bridge fill my days. Barbara's four daughters live nearby on Long Island, and her son teaches at Haverford College in Pennsylvania.

From Alaska, **Dot Day Bardarson** writes, "Where have the years gone? Fifty and getting better and better and better."

**Mary Ann Donahue** says she is still slugging it out at Thirteen/WNET New York and working on a novel — a psychological thriller.

After being widowed for 18 years, **Nancy Kittell Martin-Johnson** remarried in October.

A highlight in 2004 for **Elsie Knaus Klemt** was her daughter's wedding. A special guest at the wedding was former roommate **Sylvia Pfeiffer Nesslinger**. Elsie still spends summers in Maine. She says, "Life is good."

**Barbara Palumbo Howe** and her husband spend winters in Fort Lauderdale where they have an apartment right on the ocean. She also spends time with her four grandchildren.

"Florida is not for us," writes **Mary Thomas Justice**. "We will sell our house and head back up north to Sandwich on Cape Cod. Looking forward to moving home again."

An update from **Beverly Thornton Hallowell**: "I continue to live in my nearly 200-year-old home, volunteer at MetroWest Medical Center in Natick, MA, and enjoy my 10 grandchildren."

**Joy Ufford Penderville** says retirement is great. She keeps busy with eight grandchildren, church and community volunteer work, and is a substitute organist. Joy says, "I did a benefit concert for a church and enjoy music as much as ever."

#### 1954

An update from **Frances Mitchell Sherman**: "Life on our ranch is good. My sheep are lambing which is beautiful to witness. Quilting takes up much of my time. I make quilts for good causes, family, and friends. We are blessed with eight grandchildren, and all of our own children are doing well as adults. Life can't get much better than it is as long as we can stay in good health in these senior years."

#### 1955

From Santa Rosa, CA, **Priscilla Fenton Abercrombie** writes that she and her husband sold their print shop so they are finally retired. They travel back east twice a year to visit her mom. Priscilla has three children and seven grandchildren.

**Bobbie Jennings'** public relations company does radio broadcasts of sporting events and press releases for animal and nature nonprofit organizations in Hawaii. Her latest trip was a month's cruise on a private yacht through the canals and rivers of France and Germany. She says, "It doesn't get much better than that."

**Beverly Kimball Lamburn** has four grandchildren who live nearby and keep her busy. She works part-time at her

family's ice cream business. **Beverly** says, "I am looking forward to my 50th reunion. It doesn't seem possible."

Our sincere condolences to **Valerie Montanez Barto** on the death of her husband in February 2004 after a long illness. Valerie says, "I am trying to find new goals and keep busy. I look forward to seeing everyone at our 50th. Let's make our class proud by contributing to the reunion fund. I miss my roomie, **Marilyn Meyer Herlin**. To all my classmates, please come and see me in West Palm Beach."

Our sincere condolences to **Beryl Schelhorn Frey** on the death of her daughter this past summer.

\* 1955 Editor's Note: **Joy Stewart Rice** is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.

#### 1956

Still working but doing part-time now," writes **Deanne Dario Sferrino**. Deanne enjoys her four grandchildren and visits them in Connecticut as often as possible. She traveled to South America on a cruise.

**Pattie Holland Bird** enjoys summers at the lake in Spencer, MA, and winters in her new RV (her fourth one) in Naples. Pattie says, "I am into stained glass now and love it. I also enjoy our six grandchildren."

"I am finally retired," writes **Virginia Paolillo Lawlor**. "I just got back from visiting my niece in sunny California. I am still missing my sister, **Isabel Paolillo McCarthy '53**, who died in October 2002."

From California, **Ann Pasquale Kibort** writes, "Life is good. I have been traveling to Europe, visiting children and six grandchildren (four in the Boston area and two in Colorado), painting, and skiing."

**Janet Whitney Buck** and **Patti Holland Bird** spent a weekend together celebrating their 50th high school reunion.

### Class of 1953



(L to R) **Diane Cueny Harden '53** and **Jean Weeks Hanna '53** enjoy visits every winter. Diane and her husband live in an active senior community in Tampa. Jean lives in Longboat Key.

### Class of 1955



A Lasell gathering of classes celebrated the birthday of **Lucinda Nolin Johnson '55/77** (center) in August 2004. Joining her (l to r) is **Marion Nutter '55**, **Jean Shaw Keary '40**, **Joy Stewart Rice '55** and **Jeanne Franklin Bates '47**.



## Class Notes

1957

"It was great to be back on campus for the River Day festivities in October and to see all the amazing new construction and growth," writes Joan Deshefy Patenaude. "I enjoyed seeing Nancye Van Deusen Connor, Charlie Killam Moller, and Joan Conradi McLaughlin '59. It was a fun weekend."

Dorothy Fenrich DelGuercio is director and owner of a 600-student dance studio. She has eight grandchildren.

Marcia James Carthaus says Naples, FL, is a wonderful place to easily become a part of the community.

From southern Maryland, Virginia Krauss White writes, "Retirement is wonderful. I am enjoying our beautiful, heated pool. All our family comes to visit and swim. Lasell classmates are invited to visit when traveling south."

1958

Harriet Beard Ackerman moved back to Connecticut after living in the midwest for 25 years. She says, "I've enjoyed reconnecting with Joan Plaskon Tatigian and Margo Miller Larson '59."

After 10 years as a travel agent, Judy Butler Weppel is semi-retired. She now works in an upscale jewelry store. Judy says, "I love the perks." She sends love to all her classmates.

Penny Carlson O'Brien sold her house in Scituate, MA, and bought a condo in Hull (six miles away). Penny says, "It didn't take any time to get used to condo living and the amenities. As a realtor I swore I'd never pay condo fees. Now I write that check with a smile."

Connie Reid Towne says life is good. She is still working part-time as a nurse.

She and her husband are taking up golf. She bikes, skis, and plays lots of tennis. Grandchild #2 was born last April.

"Hi to my old Bragdon friends," writes Sarah Requa Guthridge. Sarah has a new granddaughter whose middle name is Sarah.

Beginning this spring, Meade Simpson Fasciano will be chairman of the 450 active, senior volunteers for the Museum of Fine Arts Boston.

One year ago, Barbara Stannard Riedinger had moved to be near her family and the Vineyard. Now that her family relocated to Beauford, SC, Barbara moved again. She says, "What the heck, it keeps me young. The architect has plans to convert the 2-car garage behind their house into a house for me. Beauford is an old, historic town with wonderful southern mansions. The inter-coastal waterway runs through Beauford which makes dining on the porches of the little restaurants along the river a true delight. We are 10 minutes by boat from Hilton Head, a little over an hour from Savannah, and about 1-1/2 hours from Charlestown."

1959

Louise Harrison Leader is an adjunct faculty member in the fashion department at Lasell College.

Elizabeth Healy Shelby is sorry she couldn't make the 45th reunion but is looking forward to her 50th. She is enjoying retirement in New Hampshire and spending time with children, grandchildren, and friends.

\* 1959 Editor's Note: Louise Harrison Leader is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.

## Class of 1958



Class of '58 mini-reunion dinner at the Longshore Lake Club in January 2005. Standing (L to R) Gene Morgan, Jeanne Bradner Morgan, Gail Winalski Burd, Elliott Burd, Rich Oswald. Seated (L to R) Gail Seibert Glover, Scott Glover, Judy Feldt Oswald.

## Class of 1960



An amazing Class of '60 friendship (L to R) Joan Corthouts McCormick, Wendy Holmes-Pearson, Michele Poirier Gorman, and Marilyn Senior Legg spent their annual mini-reunion in Newport, RI. They have been getting together for over 40 years.

## 1960's

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1960

Barbara Jacoby Adelstein is retired from teaching, travels, and enjoys her family and friends. She has two granddaughters.

Barbara Rahner Reese is completing a doctorate in anthropology. She traveled to Rwanda, Uganda, and Sudan to distribute scholarships to poverty-stricken girls. She has two sons and slipped into grand-motherhood this year. Friend and former roommate Faith Bowker-Maloney has this to say about Barbara, "She has a zest for life like no one I have ever met in my life. Last summer when I spent a week with her in Vermont, she had just returned from a trip to Mongolia. Still she had the energy to take my four grandchildren out in canoes and motorboats like an energetic camp counselor."

Barbara McAlary Kashar was out of school for six weeks after surgery, but is back and starting the countdown to her second retirement.

Sue Spangenberg Straley has been busy with builders and is moving into new quarters in Norwell, MA.

Joan White Martin is enjoying retirement.

Susann York Stadtfeld's fifth grandchild arrived in December. Susann feels lucky that her kids and grandkids are within an hour's drive so they are able to see them often and be part of their lives. Susann says, "Hope to see my '60's friends at reunion."

An update from Ronna Zucker Uhrman: "I still teach pre-school. I have been at the same school for 40 years. I have eight wonderful grandchildren. We have a winter home at the Polo Club in Delray Beach. I would love to hear from friends."

\* 1960 Editor's Note: Linda Telfer is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.

1961

"I look forward to reading *Leaves*," writes Sally Cabral Crowe. "There is a special place in my heart for Lasell. I hope I can visit soon."

Chase Kirschner Wilson volunteers as a teacher with the "No Child Left Behind, America Reads" program.

Ann McIntosh Mello lives full-time in Mattapoisett, MA, where she has an art gallery and school.

Patricia McKinnon Dernavich married her husband on the beach in Sanibel, FL. Now her sister, Ginny McKinnon Dernavich '62, is also her sister-in-law. Patricia lives in Wakefield, RI, and spends three winter months in their condo in Fort Myers. She is president of the South County Hospital Auxiliary as well as a hospital volunteer two days a week. Patricia says, "The golf course is where you will find me in the summer months. Life is wonderful."

Our sincere condolences to Carol Schumacher Dougherty on the death of her husband, David.

From Myrtle Beach, SC, Nan Sparks Hunter writes, "Enjoying retirement in my new house just blocks from the ocean. Visiting my six children and eight grandchildren who are scattered across the U.S. keeps me busy. So does visiting my husband who is in a nursing home. All else is fine."



## Class Notes

1962

**Ann Abbott Bowler** moved to the Delaware shore. She says, "The grandchildren are just two hours away."

Our sincere condolences to **Ingrid Jonason Burch** whose husband, Art, died last year. Ingrid says her two daughters are great, and she has a 1-year-old grandson. Ingrid would love to hear from her classmates.

**Dee Orben Campbell** is busy quilting, hiking, and volunteering at a women's shelter. She celebrated 15 years with Mary Kay Cosmetics.

**Tracy Potter Vangermeersch** says that now that their family business is in their son's hands, she and her husband have time to discover Colorado. Tracy has five grandchildren.

**Linda Strecker Thorn** and her husband made a big change. They sold their house in Connecticut and live on their boat moored in Rhode Island. Winters are still spent in their home in Daytona Beach.

1963

Our sincere condolences to **Susan Ramsay Davis** on the death of her mother, **Barbara Heath Ramsay '35** in August.

**Sandy Stahl Thomas** has been battling leukemia for 12 years and says that her husband has been her rock. Sandy's son, Douglas, is serving in Iraq with the army reserve.

Reflecting on her birthday, **Bette Unger Kiernan** says, "This was my happiest birthday. My private psychotherapy practice is thriving, and an amazing new man is in my life. My two children are doing well. Life is good. Certainly Lasell was an important part of the preparation."

**Linda Welt Horowitz** retired in May after 32 years of teaching. She says, "I am now weeding out the home we have lived in for 36 years in preparation for retiring to our condo in Puerto Vallarta."

1964

**Arlene Ferreira Rego** is retired and enjoying winters in Naples. She spends time with her two grandchildren who live in Key Largo.

**Kay Oppenheim Loomstein** enjoys living in two places — St. Louis and Carlsbad, CA. She writes, "I think about my friends and the wonderful times at Lasell. The good old days!"

Married for 39 years, **Linda Peterssen Werner** has four married children and one grandchild. For the last 18 years she has been a manager and buyer for a counted cross stitch shop in Pennsylvania. Linda says, "I can't believe time goes by so quickly." Linda keeps in touch with **Joyce Arkwright Flidner**.

**Linda Pillarella West** says plans are in the works for retirement and a move to Rhode Island in June. She has two grandchildren.

"Life is good in Cape Porpoise, ME," writes **Pat Tassinari Smith**.

1965

**Sandra Cramblet Cox** says, "I am finally a grandmother. Sabrina was born in June."

1966

From Cleveland, an update from **Judith Dubin Factor**: "I am editor-in-chief of a small, non-profit, educational publishing house. I started the company six years ago. The work is challenging and interesting, and I am fortunate to have this exciting career at this 'empty nest' time of my life. I have been married to my husband for 33 years, and we have two married daughters, four grandchildren, and one engaged son. My daughters live in Israel, and we get there once or twice a year. They get to Cleveland at least once a year. With frequent phone calls and digital pictures the distance is not as hard as it might seem. I would love to hear from anyone who remembers. Lasell 1966 was such a fascinating time to be a young woman in college."

This year, **Elizabeth FitzGerald Donovan** completed 35 years with Polaroid Corp. Her one daughter is a senior in high school. She also has three stepdaughters and seven grandchildren.

"Texas living has been wonderful," writes **Nancy Naylor Busby**. "I love being close to our children and grandchildren. I have taken a job as a legal secretary. Now I wish I'd gotten more education in the legal secretary program at Lasell. Blessings to all."

1967

**Gail Edwards Pocock's** son is attending college.

\* 1967 Editor's Note: **Kathy Morgan Lucey** and **Katie McDonough Ryan** are "Calendar Girls" models. Please see page 16.

1969

**Mary Anne Conboy** has been selected as the Special Assistant to the Deputy Director of Human Resources at the U.S. Agency for International Development in Washington, DC. She is planning to retire in two years.

**Betsy Gimbel Ratner**, an educational consultant, conducts workshops on topics such as "discovering happiness beyond loss, reducing stress and finding joy, and the art of healing." She makes a donation to the Huntington's Disease Society of America with each workshop registrant.

**Sharon Murphy** is an office manager for a small accounting firm. She says, "I am now the proud grandmother of two boys."

### 1970's

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1970

**Paula Finnegan Dickinson** is a Reading Specialist/Title I Coordinator at Gilford Elementary School in New Hampshire. She and her husband have been married since 1977. Paula has two stepsons. After taking an architect's course, she designed and built their new home. Paula loves to motorcycle, run, ski, kayak, and sew.

1972

**Barbara Kaiser Martens** teaches second grade in Middletown, NY. She became a grandmother last June. Barbara says, "I think fondly of my two years at Lasell."

**Nancy Romberg Chiappetta** is manager of the Rowayton, CT office of Fairfield County Bank.

**Cynthia Scalzi Brown's** daughter has been selected to study history at Oxford University for her junior year.

\* 1972 Editor's Note: **Jeanne Johnsen** is a "Calendar Girls" model. Please see page 16.

1973

**Julia McDonald Boliver** has been married for 14 years and lives on Long Island. She has two daughters.

1974

**Patricia Calvert O'Keefe** is proud of her legacy line at Lasell: **Diane Calvert Freeman '84**, sister, and **Amanda O'Keefe '08**, daughter.

1977

**Robin Hasekian** is general manager of Filene's Providence Place store in Rhode Island.

1978

**Dottie Faggas Powers '78** has been busy raising five daughters, ages 21, 18, 16, 14, and 10. Aside from being a mom, Dorothy works part-time as an administrative assistant and part-time at Ann Taylor. She says, "I have to keep my foot in retail!" Dorothy is looking forward to becoming re-involved with Lasell on a different level - as a Lasell parent.

**Donna Kelly-Williams** is currently working as the night charge nurse on a general pediatric unit at Cambridge Hospital. She has been a direct patient caregiver for over 30 years. She is a candidate for Director at-large, General of the Massachusetts Nurses Association.

### 1980's

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1980

**Donna Stross Archer** says living in London is a wonderful experience. "We are here for five years because of my husband's work. We kept our home in New Jersey which we come back to when we miss the U.S." Donna sends a special hello to **Dawn Hayward**.

1982

**Lisa Alden Haley's** daughter, **Meghan Haley '08**, is a freshman at Lasell.

**Virginia Minor O'Malley** is a "gifted resource specialist" working with grades K-5. She is also a student at the University of Virginia.

## Class of 1978



**Dottie Faggas Powers '78** (right) brings daughter, **Annie Powers '08** (center), to Lasell to begin her freshman year. Along for the ride are two of Annie's sisters, **Ashley Powers** (left) and **Molly Powers** (front).



## Class Notes

### Class of 1983



Class of '83 mini-reunion in Rhode Island. (L to R) Lisa Adams Edwards, Joan O'Connor, Caroline Knoener-Skowronek, Julia Schaum Ortale, and Sue Senofonte Preis.

#### 1983

"To Julia, Joan, Sue, and Mona — I loved our mini reunion this past summer," writes **Caroline Knoener-Skowronek**. "To all from the Class of 1983, before you know it the next reunion will be here. What a great time."

#### 1985

**Lauren Miller-Cattel** is a human resource manager for a hospital in central Connecticut.

An update from **Janet Tambascio Weaver**: "Hi to all my nursing friends, especially Dawne and Cathy. I am remarried to an old flame of 25 years ago! I have three children and I am still working at Children's Hospital in Boston (18 years now). I am one of three RNs in the Allergy/Immunology Ambulatory Clinic and loving it!"

#### 1986

**Jennifer Leonard Hahn** has two stepchildren, Danny and Amanda.

#### 1987

**Lisa Hawks Rautiainen** and her two daughters are enjoying family life with Lisa's new husband. Lisa is still working as a Protective Service Supervisor at a Cape Cod agency that investigates cases of abuse, neglect, and self-neglect in elders.

#### 1989

**Kim Bowser Zieran** and her husband are both managers in the Taco Bell fast food chain.

### 1990's

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#### 1992

**Carolyn Piccolino Decker** has been happily married for more than seven years

and living in Bartlett, IL. She has an MBA from the Keller Graduate School of Management and is now working toward an Ed.D. in Organizational Leadership from Argosy University. Carolyn says, "No kids yet, but we are starting to enjoy the finer things of life. This year we are planning on buying a Corvette."

#### 1993

**Susan Merz** is director of a pre-school in Providence, RI.

**Brandi Robinson** is a project coordinator for an environmental consulting company. She says, "I have never been married nor do I have any children. However, I met a great guy who is one of my best friends. We live together in my hometown of Swampscott, MA. It is good to be back home."

#### 1995

"Still happily married and raising my family. I am up to four children now," writes **Crystal Olson Petz**. "I am thinking about going to nursing school."

**Sheila Spitzak** had been working as a physical therapy assistant and in high technology for almost 10 years when she decided to embark on a new adventure — hiking the entire Appalachian Trail. She started her hike on March 23, 2004 in Springer, Georgia and ended on September 17, 2004 at Katahdin in Baxter State Park, Maine. The trail stretches 2,174 miles along the Appalachian Mountains. You can view Sheila at the summit drinking a toast to her adventure. The Alumni Office sends congrats to Sheila on an awesome accomplishment.

#### 1996

For the last eight years, **Shannon DeMello** has been working as a PTA. She is currently pursuing a degree as a Registered Nurse.

#### 1997

**Patricia Beck Bishop** will never forget her wedding day for many reasons. She says, "It was the day of the first snowstorm of the season." Patti met her husband, Jeff, when they were both working at Lasell.

#### 1998

**Kathryn Duffy** is teaching kindergarten at the Country School in Weston, MA.

**Michelle Miller Smith** married her high school sweetheart, and together they opened an Italian restaurant. They recently bought a house, and Michelle started a family day care.

Our sincere condolences to **Carissa Templeton** on the death of her grandfather.

\* 1998 Editor's Note: **Urit Chaimovitz** and **Carissa Templeton** are "Calendar Girls" models. Please see page 16.

#### 1999

**Jaime Johnson Burge** started her own event planning company on Cape Cod. She plans weddings, parties, seminars, meetings, golf tournaments, and more.

**Melissa Melendez** is an investigator for the Department of Social Services in Lawrence, MA. She is completing her Master's in Social Work with a concentration in end-of-life care at Salem State College. Melissa has two sons. She says, "I look forward to visiting Lasell. I hear it has changed dramatically."

\* 1999 Editor's Note: **Jennifer Brooks** and **Janna M. O'Brien** are "Calendar Girls" models. Please see page 16.

### Class of 1995



An amazing accomplishment! At the summit of the Appalachian Mountains, **Sheila Spitzak '95** drinks a toast to her 6-month hike across the entire Appalachian Trail.

### 2000's

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#### 2000

**Mary Crowley Boughman** got married in Maine and spent her honeymoon in St. Lucia. She and her husband are now living in Lancaster, MA.

**Priscilla Drakeford Powers** is married and the mother of "two wonderful little boys." She bought a house in New Hampshire and owns a travel agency.

**Yadira Hernandez** just returned from active duty, serving in Iraq.

**Shakira Watson King** is an executive board member of the Massachusetts Association for Women in Education (MAWE). Each year she is responsible for coordinating the fall conference.

#### 2002

**Carrie Trombley Gardner** writes, "I have been married for two years and have my own third grade classroom. My husband and I are closing on our own little condo in my hometown. We have two 'children' (meow!), and we are getting two more!"

**Paul Lively** is managing a pool business in Maryland.

**Lacey Stegmaier Keogh** and her husband met while working for the same airline. They moved to Phoenix and bought their first home.

#### 2003

\* 2003 Editor's Note: **Carla Mercurio** and **Laura Miller Schneider** are "Calendar Girls" models. Please see page 16.

#### 2004

**Michelle Bartlett** and **Amber King** are roommates living in Allston, MA. Michelle works as a nanny and is involved with her church youth group.

**Bonnie Chan Thibeault** was one of the first two graduates of Lasell's Master of Science program with a concentration in elder care. She and her husband live in Colorado Springs.

**Katelyn MacIlvane** is manager of Studio Mac in her hometown of Windsor, CT.

**Amy Sprague** is a buyer of sporting goods apparel for Cadillac Mountain Sports in Maine.

Our sincere condolences to **Jenn Toscano** whose dad passed away in August.

\* 2004 Editor's Note: **Jason Saldo** and **Jenn Toscano** are "Calendar Girls" models. Please see page 16.



## Class Notes

### Legacies at Lasell

Lasell has a proud tradition of leadership, community, and family. A record number of legacy students are currently attending the College — a powerful testimony to the education and experience that their relatives received.

The Alumni Office is trying to compile a complete list of our legacy alumni. If you are a member of this group (mother, daughter, aunt, uncle, sister etc.), please contact us with the information, giving us your name, relationship, and class year. We can be reached at (617) 243-2139 or email us at [alumni@lasell.edu](mailto:alumni@lasell.edu).

### Legacies



This year there are nine legacy students on campus. Pictured above are four: (L to R) Jessica Olivier (Paula Mastin Faria '84, aunt), Amanda O'Keefe (Patricia Calvert O'Keefe '74, mother, and Diane Calvert Freeman '84, aunt), Meghan Haley (Lisa Alden Haley '82, mother), and Melissa Galvin (Valerie Stevanazzi Galvin '81, mother).

Missing: Talia Boyajian (Valerie Boyajian Camiel '81, aunt), Timothy Cartland (Elaine Vogel Cartland '72, mother), Michael Goldstein (Sharon Kissler Goldstein, mother, attended '74-'75), Anne Powers (Dorothy Faggas Powers '78, mother), Anna Warner (Elizabeth Pynchon Warner '77, mother).

### A New Alumni Directory is in the Works!

In an effort to bring alumni from around the globe back together, we are excited to announce the publication of an all-new Alumni Directory. Scheduled for release in the summer of 2006, our Alumni Directory will be the most up-to-date and complete reference of more than 11,000 Lasell College grads ever compiled!

The new addition will list alumni alphabetically, by class year, by geographic location, and by occupation in our special career networking session.

The Alumni Office has chosen the Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company to produce this special edition. Harris will soon begin researching and compiling the data to be included in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to all alumni. Please fill it out and return it as soon as you receive it.

With your participation, the 2006 edition of the Lasell College Alumni Directory is sure to be a great success.

## Nota Bene

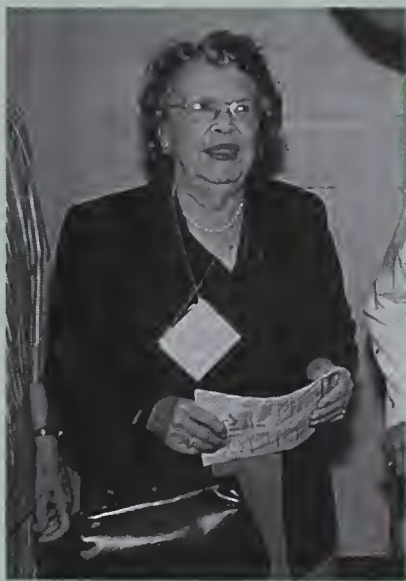
### Former Dean



Ruth Rothenberger Harris at her 90th birthday party.

Thanks to everyone who sent Ruth Rothenberger Harris 90th birthday wishes this past October. Sadly, she passed away on December 21, 2004. Dean at Lasell for many years, she received over 130 birthday messages and said, "You can imagine the variety of memories that were conjured up. I am so pleased that so many of you have had such interesting and productive lives and that you shared your memories and a piece of your life with me."

### Class of 1935



Barbara Brewer.

Barbara Ordway Brewer '35 passed away on December 18, 2004. Barbara had a lifetime association with the College and she was one of its most consistent supporters. Barbara was a Corporator of the College, past president of the Alumni Association, a member of the Alumni Board of Management, and a member of the Heritage Society. She worked for

nine years in the Alumni Office, and was awarded the Lasell Medallion in 1985. Barbara served as co-chairman of the College's centennial celebration in 1951. In recent years she could be found hard at work in the Winslow Archives, giving unstintingly of her time.

She was the daughter of the late Earl Ordway, the half-brother of Guy and E.J. Winslow. Earl was the coach of Lasell's crew, supervisor of buildings and grounds for many years, and served on the Board of Trustees. Ordway House is named in his honor.

Barbara was always willing to share her stories of Lasell. Her senior year she was named "most personality," a trait she carried throughout her life. She went on to the University of Vermont where she graduated in 1937.

A fund is being established in Barbara's memory to name furnishings in her honor at the completion of the Archives expansion project (see article on page 3). If you would like to make a donation in memory of Barbara Ordway Brewer, please send a check made out to "Lasell College" and mail to the Office of Institutional Advancement, Lasell College, 1844 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02466.

### Class of 1977



Anne Hiatt was a woman with a spirit of adventure and soaring interests, which included reaching the North Pole.

Anne Wechsler Hiatt '77 died on March 5, 2005. A graduate of Vassar College, Anne enrolled in Lasell's nursing program when she was in her forties. She was impressed by the rigor of the program as well as by the varied cross sections represented by her fellow students. After receiving her degree, she went on to hospice work. Caring for others was her priority and as a member of Lasell's Board of Trustees she was impressed by the College's commitment to public service. She was a generous supporter of the Lasell 150 Campaign and was always interested in keeping up with the changes and growth of the College.



## Class Notes

# Nota Bene

### Marriages

Nancy Kittell Martin '53 to Warren Johnson on October 2, 2004

Patricia McKinnon Williams '61 to Rodney Dernavich on February 18, 2004

Janet Tambascio Weaver '85 to John Holleran on July 18, 2003

Anne Cwalinski '86 to Neil Kupiec on September 25, 2004

Lisa Hawks Gillum '87 to Markku Rautiainen on September 4, 2004

Kimberly Bowser '89 to Joseph Zieran on October 30, 2004

Jane Tinkham '90 to Rich Couch on September 28, 2002

Susan Maruca '95 to Thomas Grady

Michelle Sirles '95 to Jason Aiken

Karla Bourgault '96 to William Russell on July 24, 2004

Susann Myers '96 to David Sheehan on October 10, 2003

Patricia Beck '97 to Jeffrey Bishop on November 13, 2004

Heather Bohn '98 to Norimitsu Harada on August 23, 2003

Carrie Sas '98 to Thomas Leonard on June 18, 2004

Mary Crowley '00 to Jamie Boughman on October 23, 2004

Heidi Lewis '01 to Brian Smith '02 on May 8, 2004

Lacey Stegmaier '02 to Stephen Keogh on September 4, 2004

Allison Boland '04 to Jeffery Auerbach

Bonnie Chan '04 to Andre Thibeault on August 21, 2004

Salyn Chhay '04 to Ngoy Inn on May 8, 2004

### Births

Lori Luttazi Siganoff '88, a son, Benjamin Michael Phillip, on October 5, 2003

Jo Anne Cleveland Mosher '89, a daughter, Abigail Mary, on March 10, 2003

Elizabeth Bottinick Margolin '93, a son, Jack David, on March 2, 2004

Vielkis Gonzalez '95, a daughter, Imani Renea, on September 22, 2004

Heather Bohn Harada '98, a daughter, Lilly Noel, on November 26, 2003

Jaime Johnson Burge '99, a son, Reese Cameron, on October 30, 2004

### Deaths

Priscilla Wolfe Scarth '23 on September 21, 2004

Margaret Kenney Reardon '28 on November 18, 2004

Mary Groff Cooper '29

Gwendolyn McDonald Black '29 on February 27, 2005

Marion Johnson '31 on September 7, 2004

Helen Fitch Foley '32

Virginia Leahy Berwick '34 on January 26, 2005

Barbara Heath Ramsay '35 on August 22, 2004

Barbara Ordway Brewer '35 on December 18, 2004

Caroline Smith Goodwin '35 on October 15, 2004

Mabel Swift Moore '35 on August 14, 2004

Elizabeth Kobrock Rawstron '36 on September 2, 2004

Marjorie Gilbert Wiggin '37 on January 21, 2005

Winifred Aldrich Chapoton '38 on October 4, 2004

Priscilla Greene Quirk '39 on January 20, 2005

Eleanor Parmer Farrar '39 on July 20, 2004

Marjorie Millard Crooker '40 on August 6, 2004

Margaret Kuhns '40 on November 11, 2004

Marian Berry '41 on October 31, 2004

Dorothy Martin Berdan '41 on July 19, 2004

Marie MacGregor Woodward '41 on October 13, 2004

Janice Demaree Nickerson '42 on June 8, 2004

Sybil Feinberg Stone '42 on September 17, 2004

Connie Lynch Walsh '42 on October 14, 2004

Barbara McDowell Bushway Lee '42 on July 16, 2004

Anne Patterson Twogood '42 on June 26, 2004

Audrey Herrmann Edgett '43 in March 2004

Ruth Butterfield Weeks '44 on October 5, 2004

Mary Martin Ross '44 on April 10, 2003

Shirley Franklin Soydemir '45 on November 5, 2004

Susan Gates Campbell '45 on June 22, 2004

Betty Kelleher Dorsey '45 on May 22, 2004

Carolyn Kesseli Nargesian '45 in October 2004

Belle Pelletier '45 on September 17, 2004

Jean Wilson Anderson '45 on July 31, 2004

Beverly Briggs Wentz '46 on September 5, 2004

Lucy Clark Winant '46 on July 18, 2004

Yvonne Johnson Vinton '46

Carolyn Stuart Scantlebury '46 on September 14, 2004

Kathryn Woolaver Parsons '46 on October 13, 2004

Eleanor Clark Lacedonia '47 on September 28, 2004

Jane Lupien Nelson '47 on December 24, 2004

Barbara Shea Driscoll '47 on January 5, 2005

Janice Bickford Van Syckle '48 on July 30, 2004

Phyllis Clay '48 on September 26, 2004

Jeanne Daley Sundin '48 on January 28, 2005

Helen Lalooses Gianoulis '48 on September 1, 2000

Marjorie Young Peters '49 on December 1, 2004

Jeanne Zedren Scott '49 in April 2004

Janet Debbs Waldele '50 in 2001

Lois Form Senft '50 on May 4, 2004

Joan Koch Ryan '50 on December 4, 2004

Marion Finke Berntson '51 on July 5, 2004

Joanne Zeigler Dupen '51 on January 21, 2004

Barbara Ayrault Wilder '52 on September 25, 2003

Carol Frank Sweeney '52 in January 2001

Elizabeth Nuovo Johnson '53 on January 13, 2005

Rosemarie Lochiatto Billy '54 on September 12, 2004

Marjorie Nelson Stawarky '57 on July 2, 2004

Carole Cohen Wexler '59 in October 2004

Ruth Giroux Piotti '59

Linda Trask George '64 on April 17, 2001

Nancy Rehfuess Goldberg '72 on April 29, 2004

Anne Wechsler Hiatt '77 on March 5, 2005

Mary Hanlon Ross '78 on July 27, 2004

Lisa Kellogg '80 on September 1, 2004

Carolyn Allen, former staff, on July 28, 2004

Jeanne Cousins, former faculty

Dr. Ruth Rothenberger Harris, former dean, on December 21, 2004



## Campus Update

### Fulbright Linkages Exchange

## Professor Tito Mata Vicencio Comes To Lasell



Professor Tito Mata Vicencio.

For two weeks this November a familiar face could be found on the Lasell Campus. Tito Antonio Mata Vicencio, a professor at the University of Veracruz, Mexico, Language Center in Orizaba, visited as part of a Fulbright grant that both his college and Lasell received under the "US-Mexico School Linkages" program. "The purpose of this program is to promote mutual understanding between Mexico and the United States through service activities and cross-cultural team work," Tito explains.

During the 2001 fall semester, Tito was a visiting Fulbright Professor at Lasell.

He taught beginning and intermediate Spanish, giving his students an opportunity to practice their language skills with a native speaker.

Tito is actively involved in Lasell's annual January service-learning trip to Mexico. While here he met with this year's January participants and discussed cross-cultural misunderstandings such as stereotypes that other countries have about Americans. He also met with these students individually to discover their particular interests and motivations so that appropriate homestays in Orizaba could be found.

"Through the Internet, fall course sessions at Lasell and Orizaba Language Center have been linked in order to enhance instructional capacity and curriculum components," Tito explains. "I have also visited the Lasell Learning Center to see how faculty help students with specific learning problems and to bring these findings back to Orizaba."

As part of the Fulbright Linkages Exchange, two other Mexican faculty members will be coming to Lasell and using Boston area facilities for research. Their presence on campus expands the partnership between these countries. 🌱

## Faculty/Staff Updates



**Sarah Barnes**, Associate Professor in the Fashion/Retail program, has designed a line of jewelry called SarahDipiti for many

occasions, including bridal, honeymoon, first communion, confirmation, Bat Mitzvah, and graduation. Sarah is also selling her bridal line in a bridal boutique in Wayland, Massachusetts.



**Diane Bellavance**, an Instructor in Law, Policy and Society in the Information Technology and Computer Science program, wrote her

dissertation on the socioeconomic impact of computer home-based work on dual income husbands and wives and their family members. The first 25 pages of her dissertation are available for reading online at: <http://www.lib.umi.com/dissertations/fullcit/3039561>.



**Lisa Bortman**, Associate Professor, Allied Health and Sports Studies, and Dean for the School of Allied Health and Sports Studies,

recently fulfilled requirements for her Ed.D. degree, which will be awarded in May 2005. The title of her dissertation is "Academic Engagement and Involvement in First Year Seminar: Faculty-Student Relationships and Effective Pedagogical Practices."



**Chad A. Clements**, MS, ATC, Lasell's Head Athletic Trainer, will be presenting (with colleagues) a research project titled, "A

Comparison of Quadriceps Muscle Activity in Open Kinetic Chain vs. Closed Kinetic Chain Exercises at Different Knee Angles in College-Aged Female Athletes," at the annual American Physical Therapy Association Symposium in Boston, June 4-5.



**Deborah Gelch**, reports many positive improvements in the computing and technology front including a greater reliance on time-saving online applications, such as online final grading, online mid-term progress reports, online math and English placement tests, and a brand new look and feel to "MyLasell," the informative, go-to Intranet. Additionally, Deborah reports, the IT Help Desk boasts a new support structure to better serve faculty, students, and staff in a timely and efficient way.



Director of Financial Aid, **Michele Kosboth** has been selected to serve on Citizens Banks' Education Finance advisory board.



**Drs. Sharyn Lowenstein and Tessa leRoux** were keynote speakers at the Mass

Bay Community College Faculty Development Day on February 10. Their talk was on ways to incorporate service learning in the classroom.



**Marsha Mirkin**, Ph.D., who teaches "Counseling and Case Management" in the School of Arts and Sciences, will present her

work on immigrant families at the joint American Family Therapy Academy-International Family Therapy Association conference this June. She will also give a workshop about loss and healing at the New Jersey Multicultural Family Institute's annual conference in April. Her new book, "The Women who Danced by the Sea: Finding Ourselves in the Stories of our Biblical Foremothers," was recently released.



**Nancy Waldron**, Assistant Professor in the School of Business and Information Science received her Ph.D. in September.

The title of her dissertation was "Entrepreneurial Orientation and its Relation to the Internalization of Small Business Manufacturing Enterprises in New England."



Lasell is pleased to welcome Associate Professor **Catherine Zeek** as the new Chair of Lasell's Department of Education. Dr. Zeek

recently moved to this area from the Dallas, Texas area, where, at Texas Woman's University, she served as chair of the department of reading. Prior to that, she taught at Texas A&M — Commerce; and earlier, she taught first- and second-graders in Texas. She originally worked in the field of finance and accounting in the Dallas area.

Catherine Zeek holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from Austin College, an M.B.A. degree from Southern Methodist University, and a doctorate in supervision, curriculum, and instruction from Texas A&M — Commerce.

"My research interest is in effective professional development for pre-service and practicing teachers," she reports. This spring Dr. Zeek will present two papers, one titled "Developing Teacher Educators: A Partnership for Sustaining Effective Teachers" at the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education and "Induction Within a Professional Development School: Democratic Processes/Proven Practices" and will be presented at the American Educational Research Association in April.

"I'm excited to be at Lasell," Dr. Zeek says. "I've enjoyed meeting students, faculty, and staff, and look forward to working closely with colleagues to continually improve our teacher preparation program." 🌱



They Give You Fever!

### Faculty and Staff Jazz Group Makes Its Debut



The new Jazz Group at its rousing Lasell Village opening.

All through the fall, in the basement of Yamawaki, the sounds of jazz seeped out through a practice room door. Under the guidance of Harvey Finstein, a Newton jazz musician who heads the Harvey Finstein School of Jazz, five enthusiastic members of the Lasell community met every Monday to rehearse in preparation for their December debut.

"This is so different from the way I've been trained," said Celeste Harring, assistant to Lasell Village's Dean Paula Panchuck. "I've been studying voice for years but this is totally impromptu." However, when she and Professor Richard Dodds do scat in "All Blues" by Miles Davis, it sounds like they're experienced hands.

"Back in the Mesozoic era," laughs Richard, "I played piano, sang in a 10-man a capella group in college, and played bass trombone in my high school jazz ensemble. It has been such fun to watch and learn from Harvey, and getting to know my fellow faculty and student musicians has been an added bonus."

Other members of the band are professors Jeff Corcoran and Becky Kennedy while Sean McCullen '07 keeps the beat on the drums.

"I've been playing guitar since college," says Jeff. "Although my favorite music is rock and roll, I used to work in a record store and listened to jazz there. It's been awesome being able to take advantage of Harvey's expertise. He's shown me some new ways to play and helped me to understand more about improvisation. Now I find myself listening to jazz music to try and learn about the great jazz guitarists who have played throughout the years."

Becky has classical piano training but, "my most important musical activity is accompanying my son, who is studying jazz guitar," she laughs.

Sean had no trouble being the only student member of the group. "It's been great getting to know faculty members on an out-of-class basis," he says. Carrying a full course load, practicing his music, and playing on the volleyball team gives him a very full schedule.

The group's first public appearance was at Lasell Village where they played to a packed house with a performance that was dedicated to the late Margaret S. Ward, mother of Margaret E. Ward, wife of President Tom de Witt. The following day they appeared at the President's annual Christmas party. 🎷

### CleanMachines Initiative

### Perfigo Keeps Viruses at Bay

IT Chief Deborah Gelch got some ink recently when she was quoted in a news release for Perfigo, an innovative provider of network security and control solutions, which helps hundreds of colleges and universities — including Lasell — to evaluate and clean these devices before access is granted.

Deb talked with the San Francisco, California company about the burden faced by her network staff when students

and faculty bring their personal computers and handhelds, many of which are infected with worms and viruses, onto the campus computer network.

"Fully 80 percent of all spam is relayed through home computers that are contaminated with Trojan horse infections and connected to broadband accounts (Source: The Register)," the news release read. "Students returning to college campuses can bring these contaminated

devices onto the network, where they multiply and infect the rest of the network."

Perfigo's CleanMachines is the network solution that Lasell's IT department deploys. The news release continues:

"The beginning of the semester is typically an incredibly busy time for us as most students return with infected computers, and have neglected to install important Microsoft® Windows® updates,"

said Deborah Gelch, CIO at Lasell College. "Just detecting these infected and vulnerable computers is not enough — we had to simplify the repair process or risk generating even more work for our ITeam Help Desk. With Perfigo installed this year, we have enjoyed a much smoother back-to-school process with virtually no worm or virus incidents." 🛡️

### Popularity Surges

### 110 Students Sign Up For Intramural Flag Football



Slipping and sliding in the snow, the intramural flag football final is a close contest.

On fall Sundays, shouts of encouragement and referee whistles echoed across Taylor Field as six flag football teams met in hard-fought competition. By the time the final tournament arrived, so had the first snowfall of the season but this did not dampen the competitors' spirits.

Intramural sports are designed for the students on campus who might not have the ability or the time to compete in varsity sports, but want the fun of playing in a team environment. It also

draws in Sport Management majors who fulfill pre-practicum hours by serving as referees.

The spring intramural sports are basketball and whiffle ball. "It's great to have so much interest," says Coach Chris Harvey. "With so many participating, we've decided to create a championship trophy that will become legendary over time. Each winning team will have a photo taken that will be placed in the new Campus Center along with the trophy itself." 🏆



## Alumni Relations



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### A Message from Karen Gill, Director of Alumni Relations

Dear Reunion Alums:

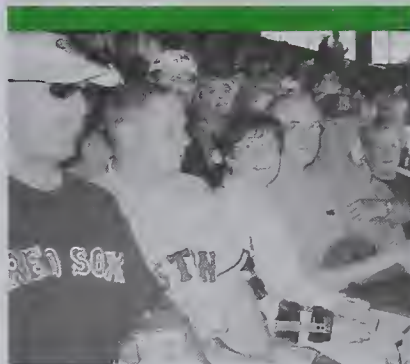
Plans are well underway for this year's Reunion. Many classes have lots of email networks in progress and are finding that it's a great way to stay in contact even after Reunion is just a wonderful memory. I encourage you to all log onto our Alumni Online Community at [www.lasellalumni.org](http://www.lasellalumni.org) (see the back page of *Leaves* for more details) and look up your old friends and make plans to come back to Auburndale.

We want you to come — your friends will be here and they want you to come. Your presence at Lasell enriches us all.

Thanks!

*Karen B. Gill*

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Director of Alumni Relations



September 2004: alumni went to Fenway Park to see the Sox win!

#### Upcoming Alumni Dates

Several events are still being confirmed. Please check the website or call for further information.

**Syracuse, NY** - Luncheon - June 11

**Boston Pops** at Symphony Hall with Keith Lockhart - June 22

**Greater Boston Area** - Recent Graduate Networking Event - June 28

**Red Sox** at Fenway Park - July 18

**Tanglewood** - Boston Symphony Orchestra - August 14

**Connecticut Valley** - Hartford area - September 11

**Cape Cod** - October - TBA

**New York City** - "Chocolate Lovers' Talk and Tasting" - October - TBA

**Beverly, MA** - North Shore Music theatre - "the Full Monty" - November 20



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### From the President of the Alumni Association

needed to hear more about the Lasell Alumni Board of Management and exactly what we do. Because, before I joined the Board, I had no idea what they did. To be perfectly honest, I wasn't sure what to expect even after I joined.

About 18 months ago, the Board took a long, hard look at our mission statement. We wanted to make sure it embodied everything we currently do and could ever want to accomplish. Put simply, our mission is to promote a spirit of fellowship among the students, graduates, faculty, administration and supporters of Lasell College through alumni-sponsored events and recognition programs.

There is one piece of this I would like to focus on — the spirit of fellowship among our graduates. I recently had dinner with two former classmates. Between the three of us, there were probably half a dozen classmates about whom we each wondered, "Whatever happened to her? What do you think she's doing now?" We may not have been good friends with those we were asking about, but we spent four years together. That's longer than some marriages now. In other words, inquiring minds want to know!

The Alumni Association wants to know how you are, where you are, what you are doing, anything you want to share.

We are here to promote this fellowship, put people back in touch with each other.

So how do you do this? I'm so glad you asked. Visit us online at [www.lasellalumni.org](http://www.lasellalumni.org). There you can submit information to the Class Notes, see what's going, etc. Those of you not connected to the Internet can send information to Emily Alter, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, via snail mail (a.k.a. the post office.)

You can also participate in any of our alumni events. Some of our recent events have included Red Sox games, a trip to Mohegan Sun Casino, an afternoon to see Phantom of the Opera

in Boston, and also Reunion Weekend. If there is something you would like to do, let us know. These events are for you, the alumni. They are a chance for you to meet different alums, plus catch up with old friends.

So I hope you will take this opportunity to tell us a little more about yourself. You never know who might be looking to find you.

*Patti Beck Bishop*

Patti Beck Bishop, Class of '97  
President, Lasell Alumni, Inc.



This January, a group of alumni lent their support to the Laser basketball teams (l to r) Erin Andrews '00, Jessica Anthony '98, Urit Chaimovitz '98, Nancye Van Deusen Connor '57, and Debbie Lestch '95.

Dear Fellow Alums:

So, it's that time of year again. This is my fourth letter as President of the Alumni Association Board of Management. If you are a regular reader of the *Leaves*, you already know the many accomplishments of our students, staff, faculty and administration. You are aware of the numerous changes over the past five years; you don't need me to tell you about the newest building. You also don't need me to tell you about contributing to the Annual Fund. You already hear from our development office about that. So, I decided you



## Alumni Relations

### A Picture Perfect Experience

## Alumni Blossom Into "Calendar Girls"



With a wave of her cap, Jeanne Johnsen '72 poses for "Calendar Girls."

Some call it bodacious and daring while others are saying, simply, "What fun!"

No matter what one calls it, the new 2006 calendar being sold by the Lasell Board of Management to raise money for student scholarships is anything but your grandmother's annual wall calendar.

Inspired by the hit movie, "Calendar Girls," which recounts the true story of 12 prim and proper English women who turned the creation of their annual calendar into a fundraising bonanza by posing discreetly in the "all-together," the Office of Alumni Relations and Lasell Alumni Inc. have collaborated on their very own version of a "Calendar Girls" calendar with a similar, humorous twist.

"We dared to be ourselves — totally, if you get my drift" laughed one, suddenly shy, alum, who posed in the almost-all-together to celebrate her love for Lasell and her sense of camaraderie with her fellow alums. "It was a blast!" she freely admits.

Alumni calendar models — including one man — represented classes from the 1930's to now: Arlene Wishart Sylvester '38, Jean Michael Petersen '39, Ruth Turner Crosby '42/H'92, Joan Hanson Blake '46, Helen Richter Hanson '46, Ginny Terhune Hersom '46, Anne Blake Perkins '46, Lynn Blodgett Williamson '46, Jackie Paulding Hauser '50, Joy Stewart Rice '55, Louise Harrison Leader '59, Linda Telfer '60, Kathy Morgan Lucey '67, Katie McDonough Ryan '67, Jeanne Johnsen '72, Urit Chaimovitz '98, Carissa Templeton '98, Jennifer Brooks '99, Janna M. O'Brien '99, Carla Mercurio '03, Laura Miller Schneider '03, Jason Saldo '04, and Jenn Toscano '04.

Jeanne Johnsen '72, who never, in her wildest dreams, imagined herself a subject of a picture calendar, was just a woman who couldn't say no.

"Well, at first, it started as a joke. As a member of the Office of Institutional Advancement involved in producing the calendar, I was asked, in a kidding manner, if I would pose, and I kidded back and said, 'Sure, I'll do it,' and everyone in the office was very surprised!"

"Dumbfounded, is more like it," kids Karen Gill, the director of Alumni Relations. "We were totally thrilled that Jeanne agreed to participate."

In the end, Jeanne Johnsen insists she felt no hesitation in posing for the calendar. "Of course, I didn't know I'd be in twice — on the cover and also as November," she laughs.

"I had a great time, laughing, stopping traffic on Commonwealth Avenue, trying to keep a straight face during the entire shoot," she confides of the cover shot that had her pose behind the quarter board Lasell sign in front of the Admission Office.

And so how does she feel about the final product?

"My photo is tame compared to some of the others, I can't believe some of the shots," she marvels. "I think the calendar is terrific!" Besides, she adds, "I wanted to help the Alumni Association because I know how important it is to raise money for scholarships."

Janna O'Brien '99 couldn't resist the offer to be in the calendar, particularly since "my three best friends from school would be as bare as I was going to be. It

was so funny, the night before, we looked through some items for the shoot at Urit Chaimovitz's ('98) house and practiced." The next day, the women had a blast, "laughing at the ridiculous poses. The experience was a wonderful one," says Janna. She was grateful "to do something that can help the community that had a hand in educating me and gave me a great reason to create even more memories. I really enjoyed my time at Lasell, and LOVE spending time with 'the girls,'" she says of her fellow alums.

Jennifer Brooks '99, too, values the experience for "the memories. What better reason then to be 'naked' with your friends for a good cause?"

And to serve as photographer on the project, Karen Gill used her considerable persuasive powers to enlist alumna, Linda Telfer '60.

"What made me say yes to the project?" laughs Linda. "Are you kidding? Karen Gill sat on me and Emily Alter (assistant director of Alumni Relations) twisted both my arms! Actually, Emily approached me in June about photographing the project. It sounded interesting as long as I had some control of what to photograph." But

Linda never expected to also pose for the calendar. "I was a back-up but never expected to make the final 12!" she admits.

"Great care was taken to select the sites on campus," Linda continues. "We visited all sites and picked ones that we felt would be interesting and recognizable to graduates, regardless of age. I had a blast. Just about every group or model was easy to work with and we had more fun than a barrel of monkeys! Alums are wonderful people!"

The final result of this unique undertaking is that the calendars have been flying off the shelves, so great is their appeal to fun-loving alums. "Katie (Ryan) and I had a great time shooting the picture," exults Kathy Lucey '67. "We had a lot of laughs — as you can tell by the grins on our Ms. October Faces!! I saw the final product at the Board of Management meeting last month and purchased five," she reports. "I'll maybe get more! I think it is a great thing and I hope it makes a lot of money for student scholarships."

For your copy of Lasell's 2006 "Calendar Girls," please contact Emily Alter at [ecalter@lasell.edu](mailto:ecalter@lasell.edu) or call 617-243-2467.

## Volunteer Reunion Coordinators

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| '30 - 75th | Alumni Office                                 |
| '35 - 70th | Kay Peck Dietler                              |
| '40 - 65th | Ruth Fulton Rardin                            |
| '45 - 60th | Dru Roberts Bickford<br>Sue Slocum Klingbeil  |
| '50 - 55th | Jackie Paulding Hauser<br>Jean Davies Stanley |
| '55 - 50th | Jackie Cain Sheils                            |
| '60 - 45th | Faith Bowker-Maloney                          |
| '65 - 40th | Elisse Allinson Share                         |
| '70 - 35th | Nora Jean Ganslen                             |
| '75 - 30th | Rosanna Cafarella Greco                       |
| '80 - 25th | Alumni Office                                 |
| '85 - 20th | Clair McCarthy Dalton                         |
| '90 - 15th | Alumni Office                                 |
| '95 - 10th | Debbie Lestch                                 |
| '00 - 5th  | Shakira Watson King                           |



## Alumni Relations

Florida — February 2005 — At all Florida events,  
Professor Richard Dodds presented  
“The Nifty Information Technology Stuff Happening at Lasell.”



Sarasota — Hosted by Howard and Nancy Goodman Cobin '55.



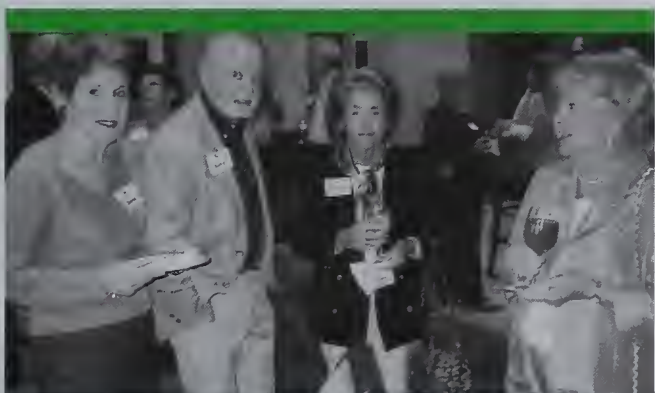
Bonita Springs — Hosted by Doug and B.J. Culver Thomson '48 and Jim and Judy Tracy Shanahan '48 at the Estero Bay Park House.



Punta Gorda — Hosted by Charlie and Carolyn Wood Brox '59 in their home. Dottie Mills Graef '50 and Barbara Goodwin Flint '44 were co-hosts.



Delray Beach — Peggy Boyd Greene '30, Lee Gamble Stanley '45, Tom de Witt, Betty Fleer Cooper '44 and Mary Shiveley Hiss '33.



Boca Raton — Hosted at the Broken Sound Club by Barry and Diane Jacobson Rosenberg '56 (l). They are joined by Betty Fleer Cooper '44 and Lee Gamble Stanley '45.



Vero Beach — Boston Pops Concert conducted by Keith Lockhart. Reception hosted by Trustee Martha Garshman Spector '71.

## Fall Alumni Events



These alums got an “up close and personal view” of the inside working of the CNN TV studio in New York City.



Urit Chaimovitz '98 shares some gambling tips at the Mohegan Sun Casino in Connecticut.



## Bragdon II Campaign News

### Campaign for Bragdon Successfully Raises \$5 Million



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On October 21, victory was declared for Lasell's second multi-million dollar campaign in less than ten years. The Campaign, which was launched in October 2002, provided the financial resources necessary to build a "New" Bragdon, Lasell's newest residence hall located on the hallowed ground where the original Bragdon Hall stood. Since its opening, it has been "home" to 60 Lasell students for the last two years.

"We knew it would be a risk to begin another Campaign so closely on the heels of the highly successful Lasell 150, but it was a risk well worth taking," explained Cathy Black, Director of Major Gifts and Planned Giving. "Our dedicated Campaign Chair, Jean Sargent Lee '49, as well as several hundred of our alumni and friends made it a true success. Yet again, they have ensured

Lasell's place as a viable institution of higher learning in the 21st century."

The Campaign was jumpstarted in January 2003 with a matching \$1 million gift by Trustee Joan Weiler Arnow '49 and Overseer Bob Arnow. Their continued inspirational philanthropy undoubtedly encouraged our other alumni and friends to step to the plate again or, in many cases, to make first-time Campaign gifts. Several of them are featured in the October dedications photo below.

The Campaign for Bragdon not only further strengthened Lasell's competitive position but proved that no

fundraising challenge is too great for a small, co-educational institution with a huge entrepreneurial spirit.

Our thanks to each and every one of you who supported this important endeavor that will benefit many future generations of Lasell students.

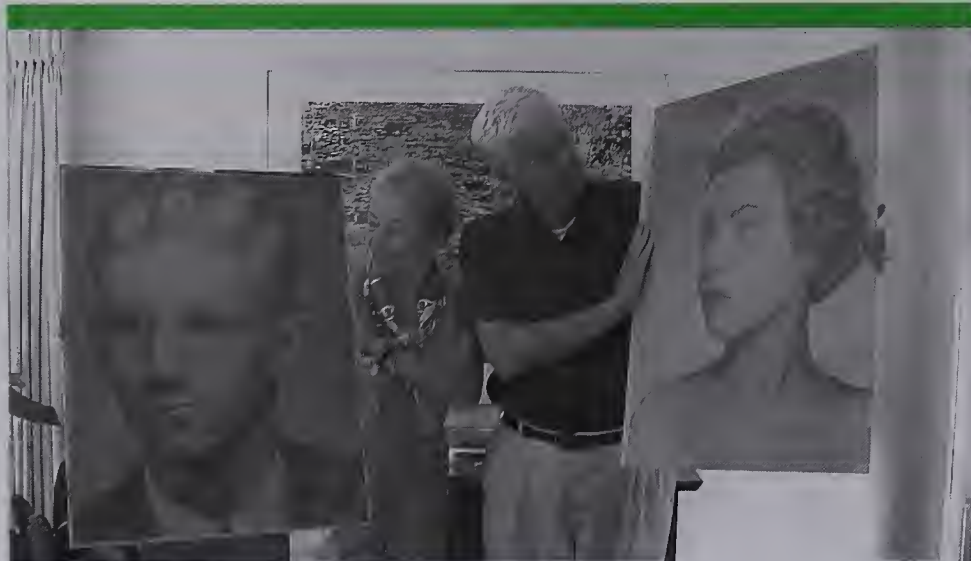
*Cathy Black*

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Director of Major Gifts  
and Planned Giving

### October Dedications



On Sunday, October 3, seven Lasell alumni and friends were honored at a public ceremony on the patio of the Campus Center for their outstanding philanthropy during the Campaign for Bragdon. Pictured above with President de Witt are (L to R) Overseer Pell "Rusty" Kennedy '83, Overseer Marjorie Westgate Doran '37, Overseer Joan Deshefy Patenaude '57, Trustee Nancy Peirce Rudolph '55, and Trustee Sue Slocum Klingbeil '45. Carolyn Wood Brox '59 and Overseer Thelma Greenberg Florin '54 were unfortunately unable to attend. Plaques were mounted in the various locations in "New" Bragdon that were named by each of these donors. Nearly thirty individuals, including the donors' families and friends and members of the Lasell community, joined the festivities, highlighted by a champagne toast honoring each alumna for her continued outstanding leadership giving to Lasell.



The Office of Institutional Advancement surprised Antoinette Ruinen Stapper '56 and her husband Chairman of the Board Erik J. Stapper with yearbook photos (from Lasell and Harvard respectively) in recognition of the date 50 years ago when they first met. The date coincided with the timing of the October Recognition Dinner.

### Celebrity Chefs Add Spice To The Taste of Lasell

Leadership donors to Lasell College were treated to a special evening of culinary delights at the annual donor recognition dinner held Sunday, October 3, 2004 in de Witt Hall. The gourmet recipes were submitted by Trustee, Overseer, Corporator, College administrator, and Sodexo celebrity chefs who served up their own dishes at the event. Each course was served with a different wine and Lasell's resident sommelier Robert E. Adams (husband of Overseer Shirley Hannafin Adams '51) gave us a history of the wine and its geographic origins. If you would like to receive a copy of the "celebrity" recipes, contact Ruth Shuman, Dean for Institutional Advancement at 617/243-2140 or [Rshuman@Lasell.edu](mailto:Rshuman@Lasell.edu).



Celebrity chefs include Dean for Student Affairs Diane Austin; Dean for Lasell Village Paula Panchuck; Trustee RoseMary B. Fuss; Vice President for Business and Finance Betsey Shurtleff Winter '70; Overseer Harriet "Honey" Markham Wedeman '48; President Tom de Witt; Overseer Robin Parry; Overseer Shirley Hannafin Adams '51; Trustee Jean Sargent Lee '49; Chairman Erik J. Stapper; Overseer Lela Graham Moses '61; and Corporator Joy Stewart Rice '55. Not pictured: Sodexo Chefs, Jon Senecal (Lasell); Cindy Medeiros (Wellesley College); Alfred Milot (Executive District Chef); and Abe Fellah (Olin College).



## Bragdon II Campaign News

From Cathy Black:

### Two Successful Campaigns Completed — What Next?

For most of the last decade, Lasell alumni and friends have supported two major capital campaigns — the Lasell 150 and the Campaign for Bragdon — by contributing more than \$23 million in gifts and pledges.

This is a remarkable amount for a small institution which has been earnestly and actively fundraising for only the last 18 years. Our physical plant has never looked better, academic programs have never been stronger. New residence halls, equipped with state-of-the-art technology, a new and impressive campus center, and a handsomely renovated Winslow Academic Center each add enormously to the overall student experience. Without these two campaigns, Lasell would not be the competitive, entrepreneurial college that it is today. No wonder student applications are at an all-time high!

However, the need for major philanthropic support does not end with the success of these campaigns. If anything, the need is greater than ever if we are to remain a cutting-edge and competitive institution. There are always projects and programs that faculty and staff

would like to see implemented if the funding was available. You can personally help make a difference at Lasell College. Below is a partial “wish list” of new funding opportunities for your consideration.

These initiatives can be funded by outright gifts of cash or appreciated securities. Those entries that are annual expenses could also be funded through an endowment gift. Gifts over \$5,000 can be paid out over several years, if necessary. If you would like information about additional funding opportunities, do not hesitate to let me know. We will feature different funding priorities in each issue of *Leaves*.

Ironically, during my annual fundraising trip to Florida in February, several people asked me about new opportunities for major support. Our alumni and friends are clearly excited by what they have done, are proud of Lasell, and want to do more. I hope this list will serve as “food for thought.” As always, please remember that our Annual Fund is still the number one fundraising priority at Lasell because it supports annual operating expenses. If you are

able, we hope that you will consider supporting one or several of these “wish list” items in addition to your annual support to the College.

I am happy to discuss our “wish list” in more detail and encourage you to contact me at 617-243-2223 or

cblack@lasell.edu. We wholeheartedly thank you, who have supported Lasell in a major way, and for those who are still wondering how to help, we hope your alma mater’s funding priority list will encourage your consideration and participation in supporting this dynamic institution.

## Giving & Receiving

### Making a Gift of Stock to Lasell

Many alumni choose to make their gifts to Lasell by donating appreciated securities. If you wish to make a gift of stock by electronic transfer to Lasell College, in support of any fundraising program, it is very important that you or your broker contact the Lasell College Office of Institutional Advancement. This is the ONLY way we can assure that the right donor is given credit for his/her gift. Unfortunately, when gifts are sent electronically, the donor’s name is not included and privacy laws prevent us from obtaining this information other than from the donor or broker directly. Call either Cathy Black, Director of Major Gifts & Planned Giving (617-243-2223) or Noni Linton, Director of Annual Giving (617-243-2165) BEFORE making a stock gift.

### Making a Gift to Lasell by Credit Card

If you wish to make your gift to Lasell College using your MasterCard, Visa, or American Express card, please note that *we now require an additional code from your credit card* in order to process your gift. The use of this code assures a greater level of security. For MasterCard and Visa cards, the code is the last three digits shown on the signature line on the back of your card. American Express cards show the four-digit security code on the front of the card above the last set of numbers. If you have questions, please call Jeanne Johnsen, Director of Support Services (617-243-2341) or Noni Linton, Director of Annual Giving (617-243-2165).

## Funding Priorities Wish List

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| Scholarship funding for undergraduate and graduate tuition, and study abroad programs  | \$50,000         |
| Climate-controlled storage for antique clothing collection   | \$30,000         |
| Replacement van for the Center for Community-Based Learning  | \$25,000         |
| Professional development fund for College staff  | \$15,000         |
| Furniture for archives expansion, library and staff lounge   | \$15,000         |
| Technology costs to create seven “smart” classrooms  | \$10,000 each    |
| Graduate student lounge furnishings  | \$10,000         |
| Air conditioning for computer server room  | \$8,000          |
| Computers for the Barn classrooms  | \$6,000          |
| Community partner teaching fund (support for stipends for \$5,000 per year for community partner professionals to co-teach service learning units) | \$5,000 per year |
| <b>SOLD</b> Plasma board for Information Desk (Funded)*  | \$4,000          |
| Design costs to advertise Lasell College and its visual history on four College vans   | \$3,000 per year |
| Funds to underwrite the “Emerging Leaders” Program   | \$2,500 per year |
| New camera for Sargent classroom   | \$2,500          |
| Smart board for coaches meeting room   | \$1,700          |
| Artwork for the Edwards Student Center and the new Campus Center   | \$1,500          |

\* Through the generosity of Clara Silsby Lamperti '50, the plasma board was funded as *Leaves* went to press. “I wanted to support one of Lasell’s current needs in memory of my two classmates, Joan Koch Ryan '50 and Lois Form Senft '50,” Clara explains.



# Annual Fund

From Noni Linton:

## Reach For A Star



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Hello Lasell Alumni:

**S**omething new is showing up at Lasell events. Lasell's STARS program is "going public." You have probably noticed that whenever you attend a Lasell College event you and any guest you bring are given nametags to wear. If you are on campus for Reunion Weekend you are given a more durable nametag to last throughout the weekend. Starting this year, your nametag might be decorated with a gold star, as those of you who attended the February events in Florida noticed. Why do some have stars and some do not? What do they mean?

For the past two years, Lasell's STARS program has quietly indicated with a \* in the 'President's Report on the Year,' all donors to the Lasell College Annual Fund who have contributed for ten or more consecutive years. So, a Lasell STAR is defined as anyone (alumnus, parent, faculty member, staff member, or friend) who has given a gift of any amount to the Annual Fund for that

time period (ten consecutive years).

This year we decided to celebrate our STARS by placing a gold star on the nametags of every Lasell donor who has attained this milestone. Thus, whenever they attend any College function at the Lasell campus or on the road, attendees will recognize our Lasell STARS.

Why are we doing this? Although we continually try to emphasize the importance of every gift of any size in order to increase participation in the Annual Fund, the need for increasing our donor numbers cannot be overstated. Most colleges and universities have annual fund programs similar to the Lasell College Annual Fund. Most of them also must seek additional funds for major projects - often approaching charitable foundations for grants. To successfully compete for foundation grants, the institutions provide background information, including donor participation rates for their various fundraising programs. Strong participation from alumni, for example, indicates that the former students of the institution

believe in their alma mater and support its mission. This is a very important part of the grant application process.

This year, Lasell STARS numbered 769 donors, or 31 percent of the 2003-2004 donors. Some of these STARS have supported the Annual Fund for more than 20 years! This kind of loyalty deserves to be recognized. So, all of you Lasell STARS will find a gold star on any Lasell College nametag you are given to wear at a Lasell event. Please wear it proudly, knowing that you are the STARS of the Lasell College Annual Fund. And those of you who haven't yet reached STARdom, you can become one too, with your 'annual' gift to the Lasell College Annual Fund.

Thank you, Lasell STARS and STARS-to-be.

*Noni Linton*

Noni Linton  
Director of Annual Giving

## Planned Giving

### Bequests: Leaving a Legacy

**A**s you may recall, in the last edition of *Leaves*, we profiled several of our bequest donors of the last two years. Through their foresight, they chose to support Lasell by making a provision in their will or trust to support the College at their deaths. We are pleased to continue this series of bequest donor profiles. It is fascinating to research the stories of these women, who may come from different backgrounds and interests, but have the common thread of a great love and respect for their alma mater and the desire to help ensure that future students have the same fulfilling Lasell experiences that they did.

Together, our featured donors bequeathed more than \$150,000 to Lasell. We hope they inspire you to consider bequest support as part of your philanthropic planning. For more information or to request a bequest language handout, please call or e-mail Cathy Black at 617-243-2223 or cblack@lasell.edu.



**Dorothy Young Heath '30** Dorothy received her degree in general studies. While at Lasell, she was a member of the Orphean and

Glee Clubs and Athletic Association. Upon graduation, Dorothy married Milan Heath, President and CEO of Massachusetts Casualty Company, and had three sons. She also modeled and worked in the retail industry, including Filene's and Arthur Johnson's clothing store in Duxbury, MA. Her hobbies and interests included golfing and gardening and a lifelong passion for fashion and fashion trends. Dorothy's sister Carolyn Young Cate '36 and sister-in-law, Barbara Heath Ramsey '35, both deceased, also attended Lasell. In addition, Dorothy was a loyal philanthropist during her lifetime. She made a joint gift with her sister and sister-in-law to Lasell in the 1980s to support management and entrepreneurial studies for women. Dorothy passed away in February, 2004 at the age of 93 and bequeathed Lasell \$10,000.



**Portia "Pat" Elizabeth Kieser '40** Pat, a distant relative of President Martin Van Buren, received her degree in administration

and was a "dayhop". She participated in the Orphean, Glee, and Camera Clubs and was Editor of *Leaves*. She continued post-graduate studies at Lasell for another year before becoming one of the first women to serve in the WAVES where she worked as a weather forecaster. Pat then continued her education and received a B.S. from Carnegie Institute of Technology. She worked briefly at Owens-Corning Corporation, writing and editing technical publications and served as a member of the Northwest Ohio Industrial Council. She then went back to Carnegie Institute and received her master's in Library Science and became a corporate librarian for the Libby-Owens-Ford Company in Toledo, OH for the next twenty years. Pat retired in the early 1980s but still kept active as a research assistant and volunteer. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and traveled and hiked extensively throughout the United States. She passed away in May, 2003 at the age of 82 and bequeathed Lasell \$126,000.



**Michelle B. Hires '48** A member of the Hires Root Beer family, Michelle received her degree in art. She helped organize a number

of social events popular at Lasell during the 1940s, including the Snowball, May Cotillion and La Fiesta. Upon graduation, she relocated to Santa Monica, CA where she worked for Papermate as a design artist for a number of years. She then moved to San Luis Obispo, CA where she also became a design artist for the county. Her final years were spent in North Carolina. Michelle's true passion was art and she was a master of the LeRoy lettering system as well as an accomplished cartoonist. Other hobbies included music and stock investments. She passed away in January, 2003 at the age of 76 and bequeathed \$19,000.



## Week-Long Celebration Planned

## Lasell Village Reaches Its Fifth Anniversary



The buildings of Lasell Village spread over 13 acres.

Lasell Village was ten years in the making and its completion marked many “firsts,” both for the College and for the lifelong learning opportunities available to adults of retirement age. When residents unpacked their belongings into their just-completed apartments in May 2000, no one was

fully aware of the many new and creative ways Villagers would be integrated into the community-at-large. Five years later, residents are not only taking classes, they are teaching them, and the Village has received national attention because of its stature as the first-of-its-kind educational retirement community.

The Village has also reached out to the Newton community by hosting conferences, a speaker series titled “Here’s to Good Health: Tools for Well-Being,” and co-sponsoring three successive “Senior Expos” that bring together organizations interested in seniors, their families, caregivers, and health professionals. “Community education is part of the College’s 1991 Land Use Agreement regarding the role of the Village,” explains Dean Paula Panchuck, “and we are always open to ways to expand this commitment.”

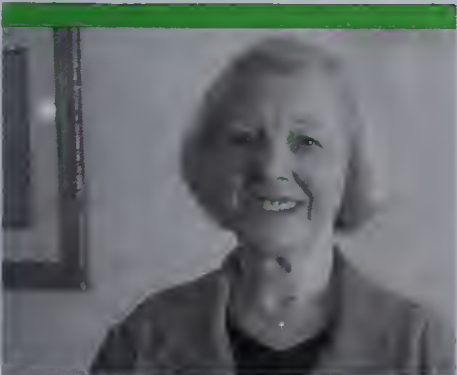
In 2001, The Center for Research on Aging and Intergenerational Studies (CRAIS) was created to complement the educational program and mission of Lasell Village. “The Center’s purpose is to engage in research on age-appropriate activities, lifestyles, and proactive wellness programs to extend our limited knowledge about the elderly,” explains Center Director Dr. Mark Sciegaj.

In 2003, the Center was renamed the RoseMary B. Fuss Center for Research on Aging and Intergenerational studies in honor of Trustee RoseMary B. Fuss, long an unstinting and special friend of the College. With her enthusiastic participation, the Center supported “The Living Documents” project which brought together teams of undergraduates with village residents to develop computer-based personal histories.

At the official ribbon cutting for the Village opening, Newton Mayor David B. Cohen joked, “How many of you lied about your age to get in here?” As the long waiting list for apartments continues to grow even as ground is about to be broken for the Village’s 16th building, the question seems less facetious. After five years it is apparent that Lasell Village has set the pace and changed the face of retirement living. 🍷

## How to Live a Long and Healthy Life

## Dr. Margery Silver Will Speak on “The Secrets of Centenarians”



Dr. Margery Silver.

Intergenerational Studies, Dr. Silver will talk on “The Secrets of Centenarians: Living Long and Living Well.” A neuropsychologist and Assistant Professor of Neurology at Boston University School of Medicine, she has been involved in the study of centenarians since 1994.

Working with Dr. Thomas Perls at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Harvard Medical School, in 1999 she co-authored “Living to 100: Lessons in Living to Your Maximum Potential at any Age,” a book that has been published in five languages. Dr. Silver has also appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show, the Today Show, Dateline, and the Discovery Channel.

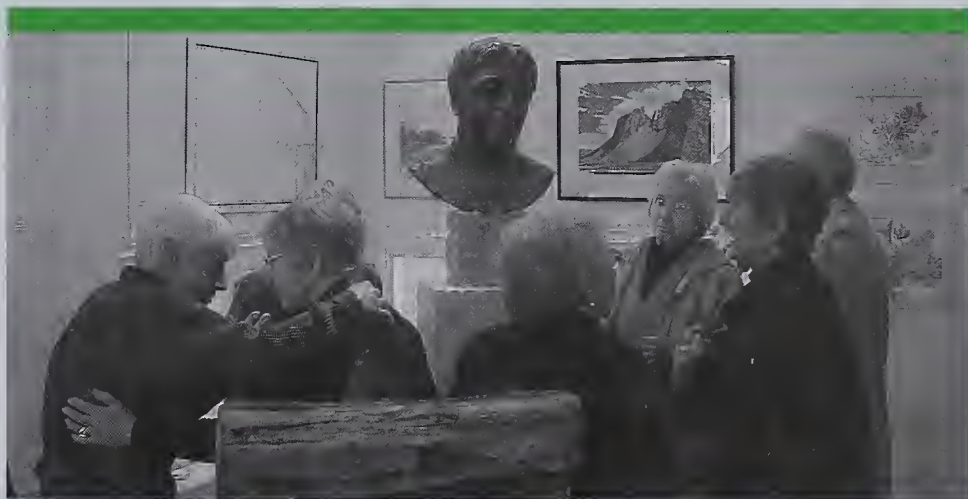
Four years ago, Dr. Silver and her husband, Bob, moved to Lasell Village because of its dedication to lifelong learning. “It’s a supportive community that is full of vitality and intelligence, qualities that define centenarians,” she says. 🍷

“I think of them as the bonus years,” says Dr. Margery Silver when she refers to the 20 or 30 years beyond traditional retirement age that centenarians enjoy. “My research with Boston Medical Center’s New England Centenarian Study revealed exciting surprises about the health, life styles, and cognitive abilities of people in this age group. As baby boomers age, our concept of what is old has shifted and we have much to learn from active centenarians.”

On Friday, May 13, as part of Lasell Village’s fifth year celebration, and sponsored by the RoseMary B. Fuss Center for Research on Aging and

## At the Wedeman Art Gallery

## Work of Five Village Artists Shown



At the opening of the Village Art Show, visitors crowd around Rose Shechet Miller’s bust of Eleanor Roosevelt.

On a bright Sunday afternoon, the Wedeman Art Gallery was crowded with visitors for the opening of the Village Art Show. Five artists were represented and the work included sculpture, stained glass, paintings, and drawings.

The playful butternut wood sea otters by Joyce Porter were exhibited posthumously. Joyce lived at the Village for four years and her many friends treasure her work, which keeps her memory alive.

After retiring from a career in physics, Dan Pomerantz concentrated on a lifelong hobby in assemblage, using found materials and driftwood from the beach of his summer home on Cape Cod.

This resulted in a motley assortment of mostly humanoid shapes and forms, with puzzling titles.

There was an international flavor to some of the works. Sally Kabat has traveled all over the world, which has given her many subjects to draw and paint while Ruth Eckstein has had 45 individual shows in the United States, Europe, and Peru.

Rose Shechet Miller knew at age nine that she wanted to be an artist. Her recent work is in landscape in two- and three- dimensions. Her bust of Eleanor Roosevelt always had a crowd around it. 🍷



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The 2004-2005 season have seen some major milestones for both the athletic department staff and students.

Three coaches have reached the 100 career win mark this year. Bob McKinley, former head softball coach, reached 100 wins in May during his final softball season and was the first coach in Lasell history to reach this mark. Coach McKinley led the Lasers to one NAC Championship and three NAC tournaments during his tenure.

Head Women's Volleyball Coach Mary Tom reached 100 wins this season as she led her team to the NAC Finals in November. Coach Tom will return in the fall of 2005 as she is determined to bring the NAC championship banner back to Lasell. She led the Lasers to back-to-back NAC Championships in 2000 and 2001.

In February, Head Men's Basketball Coach Chris Harvey reached his 100th win in a 67-57 win over Newbury College, and finished the season with 103 wins overall.

Two students have also reached milestones in their careers here as student-athletes. Demetrius DeJesus '05 (Bronx, NY) and Greg Walker '05 (Lauderhill, FL) reached the 1,000 career point mark this year while leading the Lasers to a 19-9 overall record. They became the 7th and 8th Lasell College student-athletes to reach this milestone.

The Athletic Department continues to grow, with over 200 student-athletes in

the fall of 2004. As we expand and strive to improve, we look forward to more milestones from both student-athletes and staff.

Sincerely,

Kristy Walter  
Athletic Director

### Nine Lasell Student-Athletes Named to NAC All-Academic Team

Congratulations go to the following students who were named to the North Atlantic Conference Fall All-Academic Team. The criteria for this honor are junior standing, a minimum grade point average of 3.5, and participation of at least two years on a varsity team.

**Samantha Billington '06,**  
Cross Country

**Allegra DeLuca '05,**  
Women's Soccer

**Jamie Doron '05,**  
Women's Soccer

**Heidi Hanna '05,**  
Field Hockey

**Julie Losordo '05,**  
Field Hockey

**Tarah Martell '05,**  
Field Hockey

**Colleen Noonan '05,**  
Cross Country

**Wendy Riddle '06,**  
Women's Volleyball

**Nerissa Tucker '05,**  
Field Hockey



Mike DeWire '06 sprints after the ball.

## Men's Soccer

Overall Record: 11-8-1  
Conference Record: 7-2-0

When describing the 2004 soccer team, Head Coach Giovanni Pacini says, "It was a tale of two seasons. We had a large group of very, very talented freshmen entering the program and it took them a little time to gain momentum. But through hard work and persistence, and aided by the experience of the

upper classmen, the team quickly rebounded from some initial losses."

The Lasers cruised through the first two rounds of the North Atlantic Conference play-off and the final contest came when they met Castleton State College for the championship. After 120 minutes of regulation play neither team had scored, forcing the contest to be decided by penalty kicks and Castleton's eventual win.

With only two seniors graduating (Captains Matt Denham and Mike Petrucelli) and with 10 freshmen and six sophomores returning in 2005, next year's season looks bright. 🍀



Laurel Saia '08 in the heat of battle.

## Women's Soccer

Overall Record: 7-8-3  
Conference Record: 6-4-2

The team had an exciting season that culminated in an NAC quarter final match against Bay Path College that went into double overtime after Ashley Matthews '05 scored the equalizing goal in the 59th minute of regulation play. There were 40 more minutes of score-

less play before Bay Path finally found the back of the net.

Throughout the fall, many players made valuable contributions. Receiving conference honors were Katie Gryckiewicz '07 who was named to the All-NAC Second Team and Sarah Phillips '05 who received an All-NAC Honorable Mention.

Next year 18 players will be returning, so the team will be experienced and ready for play. 🍀





Janette Struzzi '05 concentrates on her shot.

## Field Hockey

Overall Record: 22-16  
Conference Record: 19-6

"I'm very proud of every player on this year's team," says Head Coach Jessica King. "With our mental toughness we accomplished a lot of great things."

The highlights of the season were a first-ever win over Becker College, and a

double overtime win against Elms College. That dramatic victory secured Lasell its first home NAC play-off game and the fourth seed in the tournament.

Senior Heidi Hanna led the team in overall points for the fourth straight year and was named to the All-NAC Second Team. Rookie forward Katie Bryer '08 was named NAC Player of the

Week twice during the season. Rachel Johnson '08 was named NAC Rookie of the Year by the conference coaches because of her outstanding play.

Lasell has several key players returning and will continue to work in the off-season to reach their 2005 goals. 🍀

## Women's Volleyball

Overall Record: 22-11  
Conference Record: 9-0

"This year's team was the most talented that I have coached since taking the head coach position in 1997," states Mary Tom. The team advanced to the NAC conference final which was a rematch of last year's championship against Mt. Ida College.

Angele Lavoie '07 and Allison Bianco '08 were both named to the All-NAC First Team and Wendy Riddle '06 and Katelyn Rasich '08 were named to the All-NAC Second Team. Bianco was also honored as the NAC Rookie of the Year. Coach Tom was named NAC Coach of the Year. 🍀

## Cross Country

"The year started with two full rosters for both the men's and women's teams and they enjoyed many fine performances. The highlight of the season was the Blazer Invitational, where both squads took first place honors. All five male runners placed in the top 20, earning the team championship. With four

women placing within the top ten, they garnered the championship as well.

In the women's five kilometer race that day, Michelle Brush '07 established a new course record, clocking in a winning time of 19:19. 🍀



Dan Schweitzer '06 reaches high.

## Men's Basketball

Overall Record: 19-9  
Conference Record: 12-1

"This year we had an extremely tough schedule, facing a vastly improved North Atlantic Conference and also meeting regional and national powers Amherst, Williams and our 2004 NCAA tournament opponent Trinity College," says Head Coach Chris Harvey. "We made a strong run, and although we

were not able to win our fourth straight conference title, we did earn a fifth seed in the ECAC Tournament. I'm very proud of the way the team played."

Demetrius DeJesus '05 was named the NAC Player of the Year and he became the current all-time leading scorer for Lasell with 1,574 career points. Gregory Walker '05 was named to the All-NAC First Team, and Maxwell Perez '07 was

named to the All-NAC Second Team. Walker also broke the 1000 point barrier in the game against Amherst. He became the eighth Laser to reach this mark.

The Laser roster included several new faces: Ronelson Lovaincy '08, Daniel Schweitzer '06 and Jaime Crawford '08. With a year's experience under their belt, their contributions should be even greater in 2005. 🍀

## Women's Basketball



Christina DeLuca '08 prepares to shoot.

Overall Record: 11-14  
Conference Record: 7-10

"The team had a solid season, pooling their talent and staying together in the face of tough competition," says Coach Stephanie Tobey.

Mandi Rapisardi '06 anchored the front court and was named to the All-NAC Second Team. She was consistently backed up by Courtney Casserly '07 and Tara Egan '08, who both shot very well from the floor. Freshman Christina DeLuca went to double digits in several games and added to the team's successes.

"We are looking forward to doing great things next year," says Coach Tobey. 🍀

## Men's Volleyball



Sophomore Dwayne Cartagena prepares to serve.

Overall Record: 2-17  
Conference Record: 2-16

This was Head Coach Jonah Mytro's first season and, as the months progressed, he and his young team learned together. There were three freshmen faces on the squad's roster: Bol Anyoun, Felipe Shum, and Sean McCullen. Junior James Dunn was the most experienced team member and he, Dwayne Cartagena '07, and Scott Penna '07 took leading offensive rolls in the last home game against Mount Ida that turned out to be a marathon match.

After an intense season, the players are looking forward to 2006. 🍀



## Sports News and Lasell College Athletic Calendar For Spring 2005

### Men's Lacrosse 2005

#### APRIL

|    |           |                      |      |           |
|----|-----------|----------------------|------|-----------|
| 2  | Saturday  | SKIDMORE COLLEGE     | Home | 2:00 p.m. |
| 6  | Wednesday | MOUNT IDA COLLEGE    | Home | 4:00 p.m. |
| 9  | Saturday  | WNEC*                | Home | 1:00 p.m. |
| 13 | Wednesday | CLARK UNIVERSITY*    | Home | 4:00 p.m. |
| 16 | Saturday  | @ Wheaton College*   | Away | 2:00 p.m. |
| 20 | Wednesday | @ MIT*               | Away | 4:00 p.m. |
| 23 | Saturday  | BABSON COLLEGE*      | Home | 1:00 p.m. |
| 26 | Tuesday   | SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE  | Home | 4:00 p.m. |
| 28 | Thursday  | @ Norwich University | Away | 2:00 p.m. |

#### MAY

|   |           |                            |     |  |
|---|-----------|----------------------------|-----|--|
| 4 | Wednesday | PILGRIM LEAGUE SEMI-FINALS | TBD |  |
| 7 | Saturday  | PILGRIM LEAGUE FINALS      | TBD |  |

\* Indicates Pilgrim League conference game

Head Coach: Tim Dunton (3rd year)

Assistant Coaches: Jeff Maciorowski (3rd Year), Daryl Goodwin (3rd Year)

### Women's Lacrosse 2005

#### APRIL

|    |          |                          |      |           |
|----|----------|--------------------------|------|-----------|
| 2  | Saturday | @ WNEC*                  | Away | 1:00 p.m. |
| 5  | Tuesday  | WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE* | Home | 4:00 p.m. |
| 7  | Thursday | @ Wellesley College      | Away | 4:00 p.m. |
| 10 | Sunday   | COLBY SAWYER COLLEGE     | Home | 1:00 p.m. |
| 12 | Tuesday  | @ Elms College*          | Away | 4:00 p.m. |
| 14 | Thursday | @ Curry College*         | Away | 7:00 p.m. |
| 16 | Saturday | CASTLETON STATE COLLEGE* | Home | 1:00 p.m. |
| 19 | Tuesday  | EMERSON COLLEGE*         | Home | 4:00 p.m. |
| 21 | Thursday | ST. JOE'S CT COLLEGE     | Home | 4:00 p.m. |
| 26 | Tuesday  | WESTERN CT STATE COLLEGE | Home | 4:00 p.m. |

\* Indicates NEWLA Conference game

Head Coach: Erin DeFuria (1st year)

### Softball 2005

#### APRIL

|    |           |                                   |      |            |
|----|-----------|-----------------------------------|------|------------|
| 2  | Saturday  | ST. JOSEPH'S MAINE (2)            | Home | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 3  | Sunday    | CUNY - Lehman (2)                 | Home | 12:00 p.m. |
| 5  | Tuesday   | @ UMass Boston                    | Away | 3:00 p.m.  |
| 6  | Wednesday | BAY PATH COLLEGE* (2)             | Home | 3:00 p.m.  |
| 9  | Saturday  | HUSSON COLLEGE* (2)               | Home | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 10 | Sunday    | MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY            | Home | 12:00 p.m. |
| 13 | Wednesday | BECKER                            | Home | 3:00 p.m.  |
| 16 | Saturday  | @ Thomas College *                | Away | 2:00 p.m.  |
| 17 | Sunday    | @ Univ. of Maine Farmington* (2)* | Away | 12:00 p.m. |
| 19 | Tuesday   | @ Lesley University* (2)          | Away | 3:30 p.m.  |
| 20 | Wednesday | @ Fitchburg State College (1)     | Away | 4:00 p.m.  |
| 23 | Saturday  | @ Wheelock College* (2)           | Away | TBD        |
| 24 | Sunday    | MOUNT IDA COLLEGE (2)             | Home | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 27 | Wednesday | NAC Quarter-finals                | TBD  |            |
| 29 | Friday    | NAC Semi-finals                   | TBD  |            |
| 30 | Saturday  | NAC Finals                        | TBD  |            |

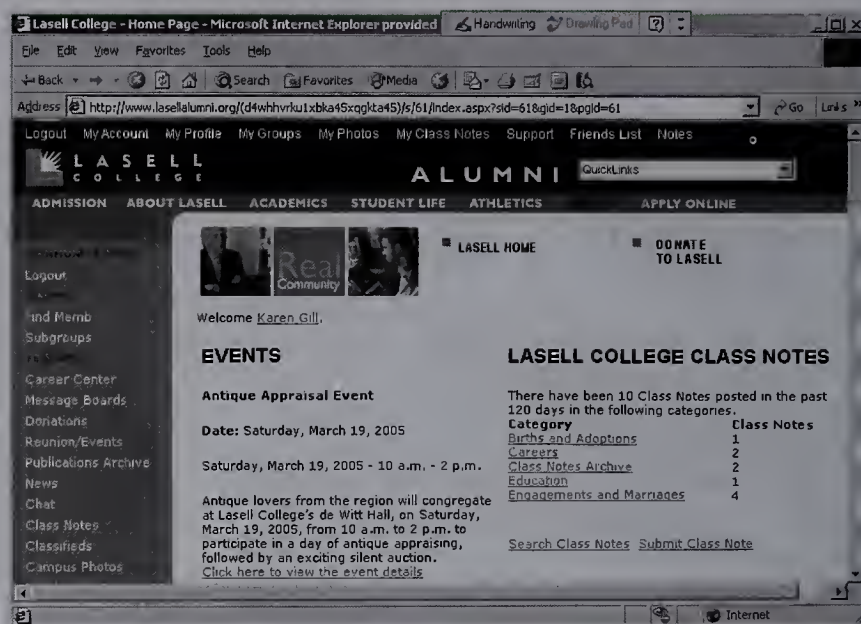
\* NAC Opponents

Head Coach: Tom Defilippo (7th year)

Assistant Coach: Wendi Defilippo (1st year)

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